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COLORED CITIZFNS ARE CALMLY WATCHING DEVELOPMENTS

BISHOP WALTERS SEEKS NO OFFICE!

Positions Wanted, but Rights of Race are First Consideration—President will Deal Liberally with the Race—Fair Hoosiers See Washington.

By R. W. Thompson.

(Special to The Freeman.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 26.—The Wilson administration starts out well. The President's utterances bear the hallmarks of high-grade statesmanship. His adfirable poise, broad view of his relation to all the people of the country, ready grasp of the great questions of the hour, and complete mastery of the situation, both fro ma moral and a political standpoint, have won the confidence of the thinking element of the nation. That Woodrow Wilson will be President of the United States and that he will do his level best to redeem the pledges made to the people are accepted beliefs among seasoned men of affairs, who have watched the trend of current events from every possible angle.

The colored brother is not at all alarmed over the advent of a Democratic Chief Executive. He is taking things as a matter of course. There is a general disposition on the part of the colored citizens everywhere to look upon the bright side of things. The hope is freely expressed that the proverbial "Wilson luck" will follow the occupant of the White House and that the next four years will be a period of unexampled prosperity for all the American people. No appreciable fear is felt that a panic is to ensue that will take away the black man's means of earning an honest living, nor is there any deep-seated notion that the welfare of the Negro will be placed in jeopardy by the leaders of the new dispensation. It is a common assertion that the anti-Negro fire-eaters, whose remarks on the race problem required asbestos paper for proper recording, are being forced to the rear and that an era of business men and business methods is upon us.

Negro delegations have called at the White oHuse and have been cordially received by the President and his aides. Many compliments are being paid Secretary Joseph P. Tumulty by colored men of prominence because of the uniform courtesy he has shown in handling the matters they desired brought to the attention of the President. Patronage has been asked for the Negroes who helped to elect the Democratic national ticket, and the claims presented by Bishop Alexander Walters, in the name of the Negro Democratic organization, are being given due consideration.

The predictions of the well-informed lean toward the idea that Mr. Wilson intends to proceed slowly and cautiously with the race problem, but that his ultimate policy will square with equity and fair play with referenec to office and to legislation affecting the Negro people. The philosophers are saying little, but are keeping both eyes wide open for the things that may happen within the near future.

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Bishop Walters in the Limelight.

Bishop Alexander Walters is the cynosure of all eyes at this time in this "neck-o'-the-woods." He is making Washington his temporary headquarters here for convenience in looking after affairs in Congress and to keep in touch with the White House during the formative period of the new administration. He is hopeful that the Negro will fare handsomely in the distribution of the "loaves and fishes," and a claim has been put in for all of the important places now held by Negro Republicans, or their equivalent, in dignity and emoluments.

The bishop, while not undervaluing the necessity of office for the Negro Democracy, made it very plain in his "keynote" speech at his banquet March 4 that he is just now more concerned about the attitude of Congress and the administration on the constitutional rights of the race than over the matter of holding this position or that one. He is for the race first of all. If the President cannot see his way to name colored Democrats for the places now held by colored Republicans, it is his wish that the Republicans continue to hold them rather than that they should pass out of the hands of our people. This broad-gauged policy was applauded to the echo by the 200 guests assembled at the festal board in the Y. M. C. A.

Bishop Walters is going forward manfully for the rewards he feels are rightfully due the working colored Democrats, but is seeing to it that the party makes no "bad breaks" in the matter of legislation adverse to the Negro race. If an objectionable bill is passed by the House, in a moment of passion following some acrimonious debate on the Negro question, the measure will be fought in the Senate, and, should it carry there, by hook or crook, the President will then be asked to veto it. The program is a big one, but the bishop is determined to be equal to every emergency that is likely to confront him.

The friends of Bishop Walters denounce as a falsehood of the deepest dye the report sent out from Washington to a New York newspaper intimating that the bishop is a receptive candidate for the Haytian mission. "The statement is absolutely without foundation," declares a man very close to the bishop. "The writer of the screed is well known and his motive for circulating such a report is clearly malicious. The intent is to shake the confidence of Bishop Walters's followers by arousing a suspicion as to his sincerity. The scheme is too thin to hold water and will fool no one who has a thimbleful of common sense in his cranium."

It is given out with authority that Bishop Walters is not a candidate for the Haytian mission, nor for any other position within the gift of the government.

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Fair Hoosiers Fall in Love With Washington.

Mrs. Elwood C. Knox, wife of the managing editor of The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind., and Mrs. John W. Farr, also of the Hoosier capital, young society matrons of beauty and culture, spent inaugural week in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson, 722 Harvard street, Northwest. They witnessed the suffragette and inaugural parades, visited the principal departments, making the office of the Register of the Treasury their "downtown headquarters," and made the rounds of all of the show places of the nation's capital, including the museums, art galleries, libraries, White House, etc. They were prominent figures at the banquet in honor of Bishop Walters, at the Convention Hall inaugural ball, and were guests of honor at a swell reception and whist, tendered by Mr. and Mrs. James B. Walker of the White House staff. They greatly admired the New Howard Theater, and held an informal reception there at the conclusion of an evening's performance, meeting Manager Thomas's corps and the netire company. The young ladies fell completely in love with the many attractions of this beautiful city and expressed the hope that they might some day make their home here. The charming ladies made a host of friends during their all-too-brief sojourn. They also visited New York City while in the East.

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The Bright Side of Negro's Life Shown by the Napiers.

Register of the Treasury and Mrs. J. C. Napier were attractive figures at the magnificent reception tendered a few days ago by the Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Franklin MacVeagh at their stately mansion on the Avenue of the Presidents in honor of the bureau chieftains of the department. Mr. Napier was the only colored official who accepted the cordial invitation of the Secretary. That the courtly Register and his queenly wife fully sustained the dignity and social graciousness at this notable function goes without the saying.

Mrs. Napier was beautifully gowned and her charming personality unquestionably added radiance to the brilliant assemblage, which embraced the foremost social and official factors of the American Republic.

The thoughtful element of our citizenship is grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Napier for their attendance at the MacVeagh reception—not because of any prestige the Napiers might gain through the quasi-social recognition thus extended, but because of the opportunity thus given well-disposed members of the other race to see the Negro at his best—to make a concrete observation of the possibilities of a people whose bright side is too seldom brought into evidence in such exalted circles.

In accepting the invitation of Secretary and Mrs. MacVeagh, Mr. Napier has set an example, which, under similar circumstances, other colored bureau officials would do well to follow.

Before leaving the office of Secretary of the Treasury Mr. MacVeagh edited a letter to each of his bureau heads, expressing his hearty appreciation of their faithful, loyal and efficient services and voicing his confidence and esteem. He extended to Register Napier the warmest assurances of his high personal regard.

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Death of Daniel E. Briles.

Mr. Daniel E. Briles, whose death occurred a few days ago, was a man of strong force of character and was one of the last of that long line of pioneer spirits that made the Negro of Virginia a prince among the men of his day and generation. He was lovable in disposition and made and held a host of friends, all of whom mourn with the family in the hour of their bereavement. Mr. Briles was the father of Mrs. Mary E. Jones and father-in-law of Lawyer Thomas L. Jones, of the District Bar. He was taken suddenly ill and died at their residence, 1901 Vermont avenue, N. W. For many months he suffered from asthma and other complications and had been under the constant care of a physician. His wife died about a year ago, and this misfortune weighed heavily upon his mind. This, with his other ailments, were too much for him to bear, and his death ensued. He leaves an only daughter, Mrs. Mary E. Jones, who becomes heir to considerable property.

The funeral took place at the Walker Memorial Baptist Church. The Rev. Sterling N. Brown read a touching biography of the deceased, and the Rev. E. B. Gordon preached a highly sympathetic and eloquent sermon. Tributes were paid by the Rev. J. Anderson Taylor and the Rev. W. J. Howard. The choir sang appropriate selections. The services were in charge of the Good Samaritans.

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Mrs. Lawson Visits Our Public Schools

Mrs. R. Augustus Lawson of New Haven, Conn., spent the inaugural season here as the guest of Regitser of the Treasury and Mrs. J. C. Napier at Hillside Cottage, and had a delightful time. She was the guest of honor at a number of notable social functions and made an excellent impression upon all with whom she came into contact. In company with Miss M. P. Shadd, supervising principal, Mrs. Lawson visited several of the public schools, delivering inforal addresses and singing appropriate selections at each. Mrs. Lawson is an accomplished musician and is indeed a help-meet for her distinguished husband, Mr. R. A. Lawson, a pianist of international reputation. She declares Washington is the prettiest city she has ever seen, and she has traveled extensively on two continents.

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Mr. Lewis to Practive Law in Boston.

Mr. William H. Lewis, whose resignation as Assistant Attorney-General of the United States is to take effect April 1, is to return to the practice of law in Boston. He will take up the profession alone, and will not form a partnership, as had been reported in some quarters. According to the officials of the Department of Justice, the cases involving Indian depredation claims have been practically completed, and the place will not be filled. The few claims remaining on the docket will be assigned to the assistant practicing before the Court of Claims. The position occupied by Mr. Lewis, therefore, stands abolished. There was a host of colored lawyers out for the place. Mr. Lewis has made a very capable official and his departure will be regretted by all Washingtonians. The race is grateful to the eloquent advocate for the prominent part he took in exposing the anti-Negro proclivities of Judge Hook of Kansas, which led to the latter's defeat for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, to which post President Taft was upon the eve of assigning him.

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Commencement Week at Tuskegee Institute.

Many of our citizens are interested in the announcement that the annual commencement exercises of Tuskegee Institute will begin on Sunday, May 25, at which time Rev. John E. White of Atlanta, Ga., will deliver the commencement sermon. Early in the week will take place the Trinity Church prize contest in oratory and the closing program of the Phelps Bible Training Class. On May 30 Rev. Dr. Robert E. Jones of New Orleans, editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate, will deliver the commencement address. The week will be a brilliant one and a goodly delegation of Washington educators and friends of the institution will be in attendance, as has been the custom in previous years.

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Dr. Peter J. Smith May be Assistant Register.

Current rumor has it that official lightning may strike Dr. Peter J. Smith of Boston, and that he may be named at an earl ydate as Assistant Register of the Treasury, to succeed Prof. J. P. Strickland of Arkansas, who was not confirmed by the Senate. Dr. Smith is a capable man and his appointemnt would be very agreeable to the National Negro Democratic League, which has endorsed his

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num and was held until recently by Mr. Cyrus Field Adams of Chicago, Ill.

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Gossip of the Curbstone.

Editor S. Douglass Russell of the Saturday Evening Tribune, Muskogee, Okla., describes himself as "an unterrified Negro Democrat," and is an earnest advocate of the doctrine that "to the victors belong the spoils."

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By executive order Matthew Henson, who made the dash to the north pole with Peary, has been given a position in the internal revenue service in New York City.

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Mrs. Ida Wells Barnett of Chicago, editor of the Fellowship Herald, marched with the Illinois delegation in the suffragette parade March 3. So did a few other women of the race. The reported opposition of white women to the participation of their colored sisters put a crimp in the suffrage movement among our women, although a public denial was made that no discrimination was intended by the real promoters of the cause.

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Notwithstanding predictions to the contrary, published by grouchy correspondents who make a specialty of sending out misleading news of the nation's capital, the attendance of colored men and women during the inaugural period was larger than ever before and more Negroes took part in the inaugural parade than was true of any other event of the kind within the memory of the oldest inhabitants. The Negroes in the pageant were not "jim-crowed," but were scattered throughout the line, according to the organizations to which they belonged. The colored soldiers, members of the G. A. R.; the High School cadets, the Elks, the Knights of Pythias, political clubs and other groups made a fine appearance. Lawyer R. R. Horner, a member of the Board of Education, commanded the eighth brigade, and it was far from being at the "tail-end of the procession."

Mr. Ralph E. Langston of New York makes denial of the statement that he is a candidate for the office of Assistant Register of the Treasury.

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Pending the investigation of grave charges, preferred by a young girl under his instruction, Dr. Frank J. Cardozo, principal of one of our public schools, has been suspended from duty.

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Mr. Cyrus Field Adams, who resigned the post of Assistant Register of the Treasury last October, after more than twelve years of faithful service, has been appointed as an inspector of customs, Treasury Department, and stationed at his home town, Chicago. The salary is $4 per diem and the place is under the civil service regulations. Mr. Adams is well known as an able journalist, a linguist and a philatelist.

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Messrs. A. B. Cosey, of New Jersey, and James A. Ross, of New York, are leaders in the race for the Recordership of Deeds. Both are strongly endorsed by the magnates of their respective states and of the nation at large. Both are Democrats of long sanding and possess ability of a high order.

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Prof. George W. Hines of he commercial department of Howard University spent some time at Tuskegee Institute recently, studying modern methods of keeping school accounts. He is making a specialty of examining accounts for schools, lodges and business firms and is finding it to be a work needed all over the country, where so much money is being handled by the officers of the fraternities and by the directors of the many educational institutions in which the people's money is being largely invested.

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The Mu-So-Lit "smoker" was a banner event of the inaugural season. President Luther Sadgwar deserves great credit for the original features "pulled off" at this up-to-date affair. He was loyally supported by Mr. G. Smith Wormley, chairman of the executive committee of the club.

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Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Brooks, custodian of property at the White House under the Taft regime, is being retained by the Wilson regime. He is under a bond of $10,000, and performs his duties in an eminently satisfactory manner.

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Mr. A. E. Manning, editor of the Indianapolis World, and courier of the Democratic National Committee, has been in the city assisting Chairman McCombs with a multitude of obligations. Mr. Manning makes the unique announcement that he is "not a candidate for any office under the federal government."

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Mr. A. E. Patterson, of Muskogee, Okla., is here. He is a candidate for Register of the Treasury and is said to have the backing of Senator Gore. He is the guest of Rev. Luke E. Best.

Mrs. Mary Church Terrell has been lecturing in New York City.

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Dr. James E. Shepard, president of the National Religious Training School at Durham, N. C., was here several days last week en route to New York and Boston in the interest of his magnificent institution. He is on a campaign to raise $40,000 within sixty days and he says he is pretty certain to secure the amount needed. He announces that his summer school will open June 18 and close July 27. The prospect for a large attendance is very bright.

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Dr. G. C. Clement, editor of the Star of Zion, who supported Bryan in 1908 and Wilson last year, is regarded as an exceptionally strong candidate for Register of the Treasury.

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Philadelphia is the choice of the District Odd Fellows as the seat of the next B. M. C. in 1914. It is the "logical point."

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The publication of "The New Era" is to be resumed shortly. Mr. J. H. W. Howard is the editor.

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Grand Master Edward H. Morris of the G. U. O. of O. F. was the guest of honor March 8 at a big banquet, tendered by the District of Columbia Grand Lodge. Covers were laid for over two hundred.

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The Elks' Home at 2113 H street, N. W., has been formally opened, under the fostering care of the Columbia Lodge, No. 85. Local friends and Elks visiting the city are made welcome at this very pleasureabel retreat.

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There will be an immense turnout of our people in this vicinity next August. They will come from every section and Washington will be the storm center of their activities, as this is the gateway to the nation. The big attractions will be the grand conclave of the Knights of Pythias at Baltimore, the meeting of the National Negro Business League at Philadelphia, meeting of the National Press Association at Philadelphia and Cape May, the grand Lodge of Elks at Atlantic City and the subsidiary bodies of the Business League at Philadelphia, besides many others of more or less importance. The Emancipation celebration at Philadelphia in September will draw many visitors in this direction.

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Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the renowned elocutionist, has been giving a series of dramatic recitals in Virginia. She made a fine impression Saturday and Sunday at the Manassas Industrial School, giving choice dramatic readings and delivering an instructive lecture on "Jamaica," where she spent the larger portion of last year. She is to tour the South, beginning this month.

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Mr. Whitfield McKinlay ceases to be collector of customs for the Port of Georgetown, D. C., June 30, by reason of the consolidation of the local port with that of Baltimore. Last year the office paid Mr. McKinlay something over $3,700, including salary and fees. He will resume his real estate business, which he has carried on in a limited way while holding office. Mr. McKinlay occupies the Frederick Douglass homestead at Anacostia, and will take active steps to have the people complete the plan for converting this magnificent place into a national mecca for the race—a counterpart of George Washingtons' home at Mount Vernon, Va.

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The banquet in honor of Bishop Walters was attended by noted men and women fro meverywhere. It was the big social event of the inaugural period. The bishop's "keynote" speech has been warmly commended for its breadth and lofty tone, and it is expected that it will be given a wide circulation in pamphlet form.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Mr. Archer Thomas, who has been ill, is improving at this writing....Miss Ruth Hembrick and James H. Cleggett were quietly married at the home of the bride on East Commerce street Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Rev. J. M. Gilmore officiated. Just the family were present, and the couple, who are well known, have the best wishes of their many friends....Robert Stewart is ill at his home on East Boardman street.... Leo Henry, the East Boardman street barber, is laid up with rheumatism.... Logan Lodge No. 4, K. of P., will meet in regular session Wednesday evening and all members are requested to be present. ....Dr. J. Knickens lectured at the Oak Hill Avenue A. M. E. Church Monday. It was a success....Mrs. Hannah Boggess of Edward street, Mrs. Hattie Harper of East Front street and Mrs. Venable of West Federal street are on the sick list....Mrs. Thomas Lonesome has opened her millinery store at 460 Edward street.

VALDOSTA, GA.

Mr. G. W. Farist spent Sunday in Dixie, Ga....Miss Lola Masters of Moultine, Ga., is visiting friends in this city. ....Notice, you are always welcome at the New Cafe, open day and night. Knight & O'Neal Company, proprietors. ....The Freeman will be on sale every Saturday by Loard Purdie, 411 Lee street.

ENGOURAGING REPORT!

BUTTE AND HELENA, MONT., NEGROES ARE PROGRESSING

OBSERVATIONS OF DR. WASHINGTON!

Evidence of Intelligence and Culture is Striking—Occupations Do not Compare with Intelligence Organizing Business Leagues at Many Points.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., March 14.—In my letter from Helena, I discussed conditions as I had found them up to that point. I think it well for me to add this additional word as to what I found in Butte and Helena: In both of these cities one will meet some individuals who are as wide awake and progressive as can be found anywhere in the country. In Helena, especially, one finds evidences of intelligence and culture among the colored people that is surprising. Their occupations, however, in most cases do not, as I have said, compare with their intelligence, but the leaders have on foot a plan to organize the people in each community throughout the state in a way that will call their attention to the business opportunities that are before the race. In both Butte and Helena, as well as at one or two other points, they have already organized Negro Business Leagues and are planning to have the state of Montana represented at the National League meeting, to be held in Philadelphia, August 20, 21 and 22, 1913.

As one travels still further in the direction of the Pacific coast conditions among our people change, sometimes for the better, sometimes for the worse, but on the whole for the better. I spent three pretty busy days in Spokane and spoke nine times to various kinds of audiences. One piece of information which was given me by both white and colored people, especially by whites in Spokane, interested me very much, and that was that the Twenty-fifth Infantry, a Negro regiment of the United States army, made a better record when in camp at Fort Wright near Spokane, than any soldiers that have ever camped there. One of the members of the Chamber of Commerce told me that the citizens of Spokane were practically unanimous in their regret that the colored soldiers were replaced by white ones. The members of the Twenty-fifth Infantry made an exceptional record for fine and orderly conduct. It was very noticeable in Spokane that the reputation which these soldiers made had gone a long way toward giving the white people a higher regard for the colored people in that vicinity. There was another occurence at Spokane which interested me, and that was to find that when the Federation of Women's Clubs of that city tendered me a reception, at which I spoke to them, that the colored club was invited, and I was told that it is a usual thing for the colored club to be recognized in this way.

As one goes farther West he meets an increasing number of persons of our race who have taken up homesteads, or who are buying land and are succeeding in cultivating the soil. These almost without exception are doing well. One finds in a city like Spokane a few colored people who are succeeding in the professions and in business, and these men are well thought of. The principal drawback, however, to the people in the city grows out of the fact that they are barred, as I stated in my former communication, from the trades. As yet I have found no place where the trade unions give the colored man any chance at the trades. It seems to be pretty well understood in this part of the world that a colored laborer must be either a porter, a messenger, or something of that kind. About forty miles from North Yakima there is a colony of colored people who have bought land and who are doing well as farmers. One colored lady told me that she raised last year over a hundred turkeys on her ranch. Notwithstanding these farmers are succeeding from an economic point of view, I can easily discover in talking to them that they miss the churches and lodges which they were accustomed to attend in the sections where they lived before coming out here.

As I have stated, as one goes farther West in the direction of eSattle and Tacoma, it is noticeable that conditions so far as the Negro is concerned seem to grow better. Seattle, evidently, has the largest colored population of any city in either Washington or Oregon, and among them are some mighty thrifty, ambitious and successful individuals. While in Washington one meets with large numbers of white people from every Southern state; as a rule, they are of a pretty high type, and many of these Southern white people are among the best and most useful friends the Negro has, but there is a disposition at every point that I have so far touched to keep the Negro out of the skilled labor trades. He can practice law or medicine or preach, but finds little opportunity to teach school or work at a trade. In many of the hotels where I have stopped it has been interesting to note that Japanese, white people and black people are employed as servants. In most of the large hotels, however, the Japanese seem to control the work, and they are mighty good hotel workers. The Negro waiters and porters in the hotel haave to compete with the Japanese and it is a pretty hard job. The Japanese are steady, reliable, sober and are always on the job.

I have visited and spoken to the faculty and students in practically all of the colleges, state universities and agricultural colleges in the states that I have traversed, and it is very noticeable that these institutions have gone further in technical and industrial education—in a word, in applying education to the needs and conditions of the people than is true of the same type of institutions in the Eastern states. It is also noticeable that the general average of intelligence of any audience that one addresses in states like Idaho and Washington is much higher than in the old Eastern states. I have never been among a people anywhere in the world who read so much as is true of these Western people, and they read the higher grade of publications. In proportion to the population the standard monthly magazines and high type weekly publications have a larger circulation I think in the West than in the East. It is not only true that the white people are great readers, but the same is equally true of the colored people. They know what is going on in the world, and any one who comes into this part of the United States expecting to find ignorance will soon be undeceived. It is interesting, too, to note how, in cities like Spokane, Seattle and Tacoma, all the leading business men in the white race work together practically as one man. I have never been anywhere in the world where the Chamber of Commerce is such a center of activity and life as it is in these cities. I have never spoken to a set of business men who showed such a high degree of intelligence and enthusiasm as I have seen in the Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce that I have addressed. I am glad to add that in most of the cities where there is any considerable number of colored people, they also have a Negro Business League or some such organization, and are beginning to organize themselves in business and commercial directions. In several of the large cities our people have good church organizations and good church buildings. The ministers as a rule, while they have many difficulties to contend with, are of a high type, unselfish, intelligent. Tacoma, Wash., where there is a large group of fine colored people, seems to harbor less prejudice than any city that I have been in. In Tacoma there seems to be practically no racial discrimination, and one finds here, as I have stated, a fine aggressive class of colored men and women. At every point that I have touched I have simply been overwhelmed with kindness and attentions shown me by members of my own race.

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

SPRINGFIELD ILL.) NEWS NOTES.

State Capital Busy with Prominent Colored Men and Women Opposing the Bills Before the Legislature, Whose Purports are to Interfere With the Colored Man's Rights.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The colored people have been wrought up very much for some time because there are several bills before the Legislature, in the opinion of the colored people, inimical to their rights. Some of the bills are unreasonable and all are unjust and uncalled for. Illinois will be set back fifty years if these bills are passed. Among those of note present here to fight this legislation were: Mrs. Ida Wells-Barnett, Hon. Richard T. Greener, George W. Ellis, Dr. A. H. Kinniebrew, Rev. P. C. Cooper, Mrs. Eva Jenifer, Mrs. Eva Monroe, Prof. C. C. Wilson and others.... Two colored men are running for assistant supervisor, Lawyer C. S. Gibbs on the Republican ticket and Mr. H. K. Wilson, a business man, o nthe Progressive ticket. ....The Colored people are doing very good here in the establishing of business enterprises. A coal mine is being successfully operated by Colored men at Mt. Pulaski, Ill.; an insurance company is being successfully operated by colored men; a bank has been operating here for about three years; a moving picture show, a Homestead Association, three or four lawyers, a good many groceries, three Colored newspapers, a first-class tinner and a number of small businesses, all with a chance of success....The Colored people can do well here and other places by economizing and continually hammering on the iron while it is hot....We take issue with an article appearing recently in the New York Age, painting this city very dark. We have not got as good a town as we would like, but we get along as well as the average town with as large and as cosmopolitan a population as we have....These bills are iniquitous, but the citizens of Springfield are not to blame for them. They are not fathered by any representatives fro mthis city or this county. We have good men from here on whom we can rely to fight these bills and all bad legislation....A permanent organization has been perfected to combat inimical legislation in this state....There were all kinds and classes of colored people down here last week to fight the "Jim Crow" and other anti-Negro bills.

E. L. ROGERS.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

A Little Talk With Some of the Organizers of the Colored Political League—Their Strength and Their Policies.

(By George Slaughter.)

Much has been said by both the daily papers and colored weekly papers in regards to the Colored Political League of the fifth district of Jefferson Co., Louisville, Ky. One of the daily papers in our city has allied them as a branch of the white Progressive organization, and also with the Republican organization. The Colored Political League make an emphatic denial of being allied with any individual party. The league claims that long since they have become convinced that independency of the Negro vote is to the best interest of the colored race, national or municipal. They readily admit they owe a debt of gratitude to the Republican party, and if great was that debt that the Republican claimed that they owed them in fifty years time the political league claims they have paid this debt with interest. They claim by searching the pole record of last November. You will find 9,000 Negroes that registered to vote the Progressive ticket. The founder of this self same league was the back of that Progressive movement. Since seeing their strength in the altitude of the white Progressive party to the Negro voters, the result is the independent movement of the Colored Political League. The policy of the league is to support the candidate from a moral and a principle standpoint, race regardless of party affiliation. The league cordially invites all voters of the fifth district of Jefferson Co. to attend this next meeting at College Hall, Green St., between 1st and 2d, Wednesday, March 2d, at 7:30 p. m.

CORAOPOLIS, PA.

(By D. P. Dorsey.)

Special to The Freeman.

On Tuesday evening, March 18, the New Hope Aid Society met at the residence of Mrs. E. E. Hamlett on Chess street. Business was transacted and speeches made by those present; also chain of prayer. This club is buying a new carpet for the New Hope Baptist Church, of which it is a part. After business was over a dainty lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. Hamlett.. ..Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sutton of Vine street returned home on Tuesday, March 18, from Jackson, Ohio, where Mr. Sutton has been employed for the last six months with iron workers. They willremain here indefinitely....On Saturday evening, March 22, Maceo Lodge No. 65, Knights of Pythias, gave an entertainment at their hall on Fourth avenue, which was well attended and was successful....Easter services were well attended in all the churches on Sunday. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. at New Hope; preaching by the pastor, 11:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., to a large and interested congregation; B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p. m. Special music was rendered by the choir.

SHEFFIELD, ALA., NOTES.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Easter program rendered by the young people Sunday evening at the C. M. E. Church was excellent....The members of the A. M. E. Church at Tuscumbia had their rally Sunday and was very successful in raising the amount of $221.25....Mrs. J. W. Jennings, who has been ill for several weeks, is now improving.

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"There are Three Estates in Parliament, but in the Reporter's Gallery yonder there sits a 'fourth estate' more important far than they all."—Edmund Burke.

Remarkable Progress of the National Negro Press Association.

Under the capable and energetic administration of President J. W. Thompson, the National Negro Press Association is making phenomenal progress. It has grown to proportions far in excess of the anticipations of its most loyal friends, who stuck by it faithfully at Chicago last August, and forced Mr. Thompson to reassume the presidency to redeem the organization from foes who would have throttled it, if they could have done so. Backed by a cabinet of sturdy friends, headed by N. B. Dodson of New York City, chairman of the executive committee, and Henry Allen Boyd of Nashville, Tenn., corresponding secretary, Mr. Thompson rolled up his journalistic sleeves and went manfully to work.

With a none-too-well-stocked treasury in hand, the managers got out attractive stationery, circular letters, return envelopes, membership cards, and all the paraphernalia of an established business, wrote to every newspaper man in the country, and secured the co-operation of those friendly disposed. Later, by irresistible arguments, showing the advantage accruing to the craft through compact organization, the doubters enrolled themselves on the side of the association. Still later, when the success of the movement was assured, as indicated by the journalistic "love feast at Philadelphia, February 1, the "hold-outs" yielded up their prejudices and came into the fold. Critics who came to scoff at Chicago, remained to pray at Philadelphia, as it were.

During Mr. Thompson's brief administration, the membership of the association has increased from a bare twenty-five to over eighty, and new members are being enrolled by Mr. Boyd every week. The number will pass the 100 mark long before the meeting of the national convention at Cape May and Philadelphia August 18 and 19. The men enrolled are all strong factors in the journalistic life of the race—men who have no time to fool with trifles—men who mean business and nothing but business. Old-stagers say the palmiest days of the press association of other days bid fair to be eclipsed by the young, virile and enthusiastic press association of today. Along with the younger men, the association has such seasoned veterans as Chris Perry, John C. Dancy, J. H. Murphy, W. H. Steward, Dr. W. J. White, T. Thomas Fortune, George L. Knox, W. E. King, E. J. Waring, and others of like experience and capacity.

Among the numerous achievements of Mr. Thompson's administration, as set forth by Mr. Boyd, are:

First—The organization of an executive committee, embracing nearly every state in the Union and foreign countries, where there is an accredited Negro newspaper man.

Second—Putting before the people of the country the form and substance of a bonafide association, awakening an unprecedented interest in the inside workings of the journalistic craft through a series of carefully compiled notes treating of the "Fourth Estate"—as the profession is often described—besides, carrying on an exhaustive and expensive correspondence with the members of the profession everywhere, and raising enough money to pay all stationery and postage bills, with a snug surplus left over.

Third—"Pulling off" the first midwinter meeting of the executive committee ever held by the organization, attracting from distant points to Philadelphia a group of the ablest men of the country, all of whom responded cheerfully to the call and paid their own expenses. The city of Philadelphia threw open their doors and promised to "kill the fatted calf" in even more liberal fashion when the full convention came on next August.

Fourth — Tentative arrangements have been made for the holding of the national convention two or three days, divided between Cape May and Philadelphia, the most elaborate plan yet attempted by the body. A program as complete as that for the Business League itself is in preparation, and the association will stand upon its own feet as an organization.

Fifth—Well under way is the system for the standardization of advertisements, the reciprocal news service, a plan for the better handling of news agents, ideas for the extension of the circulation, the organization of local and state auxiliaries, and many other features looking to the higher development of race journalism.

Sixth—The leading papers are now carrying at their editorial masthead the card: "Members of the National Negro Press Association," giving the organization dignity and force, proving that it is a reality, not a myth.

Seventh—Critics have been turned into friends, and enemies have been converted into earnest coworkers for the good of the calling.

These are just a few of the definite things that have been accomplished, or which are well on the way toward fruition. The president and his cohorts are well pleased with the outlook, which they regard as exceedingly bright. The brethren not yet enrolled, should communicate at once with Henry Allen Boyd, 447 Fourth avenue, North, Nashville, Tenn. He is the alert corresponding secretary of the association—the "drive-wheel" of the organization.

The National Negro Press Association was originally formed at Louisville, Ky., in August, 1909, and has since met in New York City, Little Rock, Ark., and Chicago, with an executive committee session in Philadelphia. M. M. Lewey, the scholarly editor of the Florida Sentinel, served as president with marked distinction during the years of 1910-1911 to August, 1912.

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What the "Press Gang" Is Doing.

The American Baptist, Louisville, Ky., edited by the veteran William H. Steward, has entered upon its thirty-fifth year. It is one of the race's most thoughtful and influential opinion-molders.

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The Colored Alabamian, with Rev. R. C. Judkins as guide, passed its sixth milestone last month.

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Misses Erma Whitler and Regina Holland get up a newsy society department for the Pittsburgh Courier.

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Miss Gonevia B. Maxfield, of the Washington Bee, is one of the best general paragraphers and society news gatherers in the newspaper fold. She has a happy knack of condensing an immense amount of information in a nutshell, and knows what "news" really is.

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The new Discipline of the A. M. E. Church has made its appearance from the press of the A. M. E. Sunday School Union at Nashville, Tenn. This is the first time in the history of the church that the Discipline has been printed by one of its own publishing houses—a fact verified by eye-witnesses, who watched the progress of the work, step by step, as the young Negroes in the office set up the type, read the proof, corrected the errors, made up the forms and ran it off on the press. They saw the workmen in the bindery folding the sheets, sewing the books on a new machine bought for the purpose, saw the books put on and the finished product arranged on the shelves of the establishment's office. The credit for this remarkable and unprecedented achievement belongs wholly to Mr. Ira T. Bryant, the brilliant young manager of the Sunday School Union, who has succeeded in rousing the dry bones in the publishing department of the Church of Allan, and carrying all before him. Not only did he succeed in getting out the Discipline in fine, up-to-date style, but proved to his brethren that the book could be sold cheaper and at a profit than it had formerly been sold. Mr. Bryant is a revelation to the doubters in the church, and there will be "something doing" to his advantage when he makes his report to the next General Conference.

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New York City has a colored daily, known as the Gazette, and the people are taking a deep interest in its success. A mass meeting was held recently to promote its welfare and besides many encouraging speeches, a long list of subscribers was obtained. On the staff of the Gazette are such experienced newspaper artists as Edward Allen, editor, Cleveland G. Allen, J. Turner Wall and Miss Lillian Wood.

RACE GLEANINGS.

Among the chief candidates for the Liberian post are Freeman Lenore Martin, of Oklahoma. He is president of the Negro Chamber of Commerce, of Tulsa, Okla., and president of the Negro State Bar Association.

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Ralph W. Tyler, of Columbus, O., auditor of the treasury for the navy department, one of the most important posts in the government service held by a colored man, has received a letter from former Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh, praising highly his administration of a difficult and exacting office. Mr. MacVeagh said in part:

"I have learned in my four years respect for your public service and for your personal character. You have been in all an official who has had my confidence and esteem."

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Among the Negro Democrats now making aggressive campaigns for post in the diplomatic service are James D. Carr, of New York City, who has been assistant corporation counsel for New York City since 1904; Rufus L. Perry and N. B. Marshall, both of New oYrk City; Dr. J. B. Oliver, of Brazil, Ind.; Dr. G. W. Buckner, of Evansville, Ind., and Thomas J. Turner, another Indianaian.

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WASHINGTON.—No more now can the American fighting man in Manila walk hand in hand in the moonlight with his brown-skinned, starry-eyed sweetheart, for the war department learned recently that Colonel George K. Hunter, of the Seventh Cavalry, has issued an order prohibiting the men of the Manila garrison from appearing in public with the native women. The order was imperative and read as follows:

"Members of this command are hereby forbidden to be seen in public in the company of native women, except those men who are married to such women."

An explanation of the reasons governing the issue of the order did not accompany the report. It is understood, however, that the prohibition will not prevent the men who have lost their hearts to the brown-skinned girls from courting them in the privacy of their homes.

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COLUMBIA, S. C.—Enraged by the refusal of the city authorities to return a fine of $3.75 imposed on Harrison Neely, his colored chauffeur, recently, for speeding, Governor Bleaso declared that unless restitution was made he would invoke an obsolete statute and place Columbia under martial law. He also threatened that he would pardon every person convicted in the Columbia police court hereafter.

The Governor pardoned Neely two hours after his conviction, and directed that the fine be returned to the colored man. The city has withheld the money, however, pending an opinion on the case by the city attorney.

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The African Lion is the name of a race publication in Butte, Mont. The title page is decorated with two fine specimens of the bovine species, sitting vis-a-vis, resting on their haunches.

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Today Negroes have 35,000 church edifices worth $56,000,000. There are 200 private schools and colleges managed and almost entirely supported by Negroes, and other public and private Negro schools have received in forty years $45,000,000 of Negro money in taxes and donations.

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A bust of Frederick Douglass was unveiled recently with considerable ceremony in the home of C. L. Timberlake, Frankfort, Ky. The bust was made in the studio of the African Art Company, of Washington, D. C.

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Harriet Tubman, affectionately known as "Aunt Harriet," died recently in Auburn, N. Y., after a lingering illness at the Harriet Tubman Home. Short services were held over the remains at the home and the body lay in state at the Zion A. M. E. church. Well-known persons participated in the funeral services at the church. Harriet Tubman, who was about ninety-eight years old, was one of the most widely known colored women in this country.

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Matthew A. Henson, who accompanied Commander Peary to the north pole, went to work last week in the correspondence bureau of the Costums House under Collector Loeb at a salary of $1,000 a year. During the last week of his administration Mr. Taft issued an executive order making Henson a civil service appointee without taking an examination.

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Word has been received from the bedside of Rt. Rev. William B. Derrick, presiding bishop over the Michigan Methodist diocese, that he is critically ill. His attending physician and specialists say there is no hope for him. Stomach trouble and general breakdown are the causes.

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NORFLOK, Va.—Violet Hicks, colored, by her will dated July 10, 1908, and probated recently, leaves an estate of $6,400 in cash to be divided between Miss Mary E. Scott and Miss Virginia Scott, of this city, whom the testatrix regarded as her best friends in life.

The will is a brief one. The testatrix was unable to write herself and had to sign by mark. The money left was all in the bank, and represented a lifetime saving by the Negress.

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The colored people in the east end of Louisville, Ky., are to have a branch library. The library board has appropriated $4,000 for this purpose. The sum of $1,000 is to be raised by the citizens. The arrangements are in the hands of a colored committee.

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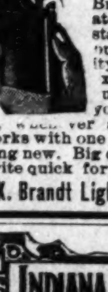

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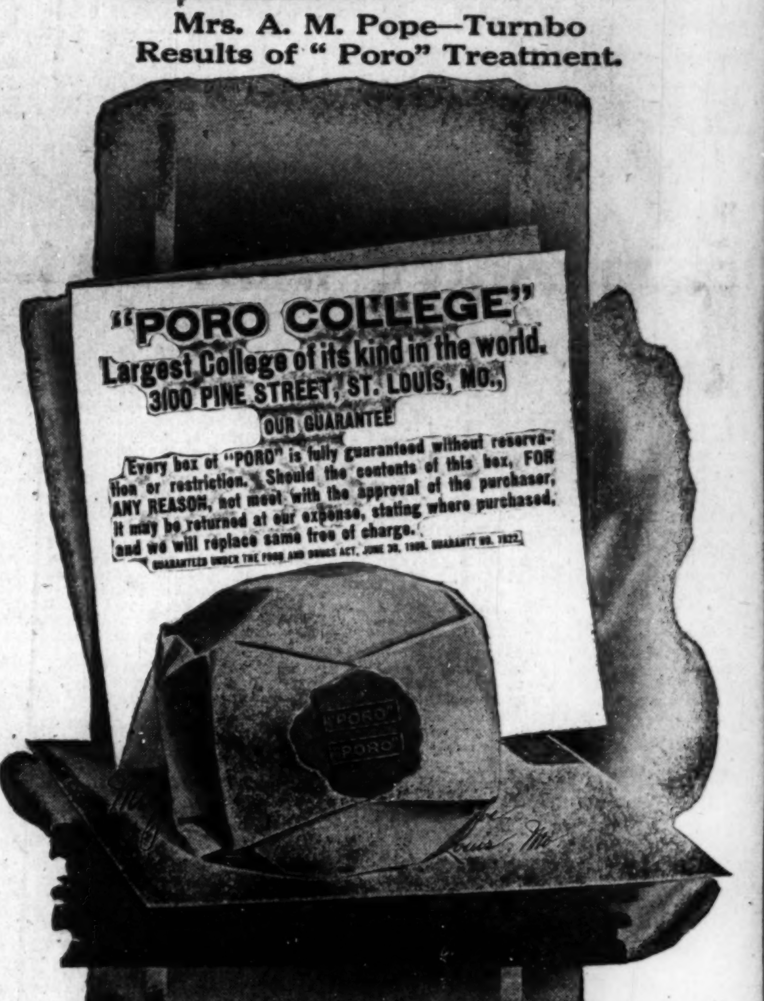

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Remarkable Progress of the National Negro Press Association.

Under the capable and energetic administration of President R. W. Thompson, the National Negro Press Association is making phenomenal progress. It has grown to proportions far in excess of the anticipations of its most loyal friends, who stuck by it faithfully at Chicago last August, and forced Mr. Thompson to reassume the presidency to redeem the organization from foes who would have throttled it, if they could have done so. Backed by a cabinet of sturdy friends headed by N. B. Dodson of New York City, chairman of the executive committee, and Henry Allen Boyd of Nashville, Tenn., corresponding secretary, Mr. Thompson rolled up his journalistic sleeves and went manfully to work.

With a none-too-well-stocked treasury in hand, the managers got out attractive stationery, circular letters, return envelopes, membership cards, and all the paraphernalia of an established business, wrote to every newspaper man in the country, and secured the co-operation of those friendly disposed. Later, by irresistible arguments, showing the advantages accruing to the craft through compact organization, the doubters enrolled themselves on the side of the association. Still later, when the success of the movement was assured, as indicated by the journalistic "love feast at Philadelphia, February 1, the "hold-outs" yielded up their prejudices and came into the fold. Critics who came to scoff at Chicago, remained to pray at Philadelphia, as it were.

During Mr. Thompson's brief administration, the membership of the association has increased from a bare twenty-five to over eighty, and new members are being enrolled by Mr. Boyd every week. The number will pass the 100 mark long before the meeting of the national convention at Cape May and Philadelphia August 18 and 19. The men enrolled are all strong factors in the journalistic life of the race—men who have no time to fool with trifles—men who mean business and nothing but business. Old-stagers say the palmiest days of the press association of other days bid fair to be eclipsed by the young, virile and enthusiastic press associations of today. Along with the younger men, the association has such seasoned veterans as Chris Perry, John C. Dancy, J. H. Murphy, W. H. Steward, Dr. W. J. White, T. Thomas Fortune, George L. Knox, W. E. King, E. J. Waring, and others of like experience and capacity.

Among the numerous achievements of Mr. Thompson's administration, as set forth by Mr. Boyd, are:

First—The organization of an executive committee, embracing nearly every state in the Union and foreign countries, where there is an accredited Negro newspaper man.

Second—Putting before the people of the country the form and substance of a bonafide association, awakening an unprecedented interest in the inside workings of the journalistic craft through a series of carefully compiled notes treating of the "Fourth Estate"—as the profession is often described—besides, carrying on an exhaustive and expensive correspondence with the members of the profession everywhere, and raising enough money to pay all stationery and postage bills, with a snug surplus left over.

Third—"Pulling off" the first midwinter meeting of the executive committee ever held by the organization, attracting from distant points to Philadelphia a group of the ablest men of the country, all of whom responded cheerfully to the call and paid their own expenses. The city of Philadelphia threw open their doors and promised to "kill the fatted calf" in even more liberal fashion when the full convention came on next August.

Fourth—Tentative arrangements have been made for the holding of the national convention two or three days, divided between Cape May and Philadelphia, the most elaborate plan yet attempted by the body. A program as complete as that for the Business League itself is in preparation, and the association will stand upon its own feet as an organization.

Fifth—Well under way is the system for the standardization of advertisements, the reciprocal news service, a plan for the better handling of news agents, ideas for the extension of the circulation, the organization of local and state auxiliaries, and many other features looking to the higher development of race journalism.

Sixth—The leading papers are now carrying at their editorial masthead the card: "Members of the National Negro Press Association," giving the organization dignity and force, proving that it is a reality, not a myth.

Seventh—Critics have been turned into friends, and enemies have been converted into earnest coworkers for the good of the calling.

These are just a few of the definite things that have been accomplished, or which are well on the way toward fruition. The president and his cohorts are well pleased with the outlook, which they regard as exceedingly bright. The brethren not yet enrolled, should communicate at once with Henry Allen Boyd, 447 Fourth avenue, North, Nashville, Tenn. He is the alert corresponding secretary of the association—the "drive-wheel" of the organization.

The National Negro Press Association was originally formed at Louisville, Ky., in August, 1909, and has since met in New York City, Little Rock, Ark., and Chicago, with an executive committee session in Philadelphia. M. M. Lewey, the scholarly editor of the Florida Sentinel, served as president with marked distinction during the years of 1910-1911, to August, 1912.

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What the "Press Gang" Is Doing.

The American Baptist, Louisville, Ky., edited by the veteran William H. Steward, has entered upon its thirty-fifth year. It is one of the race's most thoughtful and influential opinion-molders.

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The Colored Alabamian, with Rev. R. C. Judkins as guide, passed its sixth milestone last month.

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Misses Erma Whitler and Regina Holland get up a newsy society department for the Pittsburgh Courier.

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Miss Gonevia B. Maxfield, of the Washington Bee, is one of the best general paragraphers and society news gatherers in the newspaper fold. She has a happy knack of condensing an immense amount of information in a nutshell, and knows what "news" really is.

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The new Discipline of the A. M. E. Church has made its appearance from the press of the A. M. E. Sunday School Union at Nashville, Tenn. This is the first time in the history of the church that the Discipline has been printed by one of its own publishing houses—a fact verified by eye-witnesses, who watched the progress of the work, step by step, as the young Negroes in the office set up the type, read the proof, corrected the errors, made up the forms and ran it off on the press. They saw the workmen in the bindery folding the sheets, sewing the books on a new machine bought for the purpose, saw the books put on and the finished product arranged on the shelves of the establishment's office. The credit for this remarkable and unprecedented achievement belongs wholly to Mr. Ira T. Bryant, the brilliant young manager of the Sunday School Union, who has succeeded in rousing the dry bones in the publishing department of the Church of Allan, and carrying all before him. Not only did he succeed in getting out the Discipline in fine, up-to-date style, but proved to his brethren that the book could be sold cheaper and at a profit than it had formerly been sold. Mr. Bryant is a revelation to the doubters in the church, and there will be "something doing" to his advantage when he makes his report to the next General Conference.

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New York City has a colored daily, known as the Gazette, and the people are taking a deep interest in its success. A mass meeting was held recently to promote its welfare and besides many encouraging speeches, a long list of subscribers was obtained. On the staff of the Gazette are such experienced newspaper artists as Edward Allen, editor, Cleveland G. Allen, J. Turner Wall and Miss Lillian Wood.

RACE GLEANINGS.

Among the chief candidates for the Liberian post are Freeman Lenore Martin, of Oklahoma. He is president of the Negro Chamber of Commerce, of Tulsa, Okla., and president of the Negro State Bar Association.

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Ralph W. Tyler, of Columbus, O., auditor of the treasury for the navy department, one of the most important posts in the government service held by a colored man, has received a letter from former Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh, praising highly his administration of a difficult and exacting office. Mr. MacVeagh said in part:

"I have learned in my four years respect for your public service and for your personal character. You have been in all an official who has had my confidence and esteem."

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Among the Negro Democrats now making aggressive campaigns for post in the diplomatic service are James D. Carr, of New York City, who has been assistant corporation counsel for New York City since 1904; Rufus L. Perry and N. B. Marshall, both of New oYrk City; Dr. J. B. Oliver, of Brazil, Ind.; Dr. G. W. Buckner, of Evansville, Ind., and Thomas J. Turner, another Indianaian.

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WASHINGTON.—No more now can the American fighting man in Manila walk hand in hand in the moonlight with his brown-skinned, starry-eyed sweetheart, for the war department learned recently that Colonel George K. Hunter, of the Seventh Cavalry, has issued an order prohibiting the men of the Manila garrison from appearing in public with the native women. The order was imperative and read as follows:

"Members of this command are hereby forbidden to be seen in public in the company of native women, except those men who are married to such women."

An explanation of the reasons governing the issue of the order did not accompany the report. It is understood, however, that the prohibition will not prevent the men who have lost their hearts to the brown-skinned girls from courting them in the privacy of their homes.

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COLUMBIA, S. C.—Enraged by the refusal of the city authorities to return a fine of $3.75 imposed on Harrison Neely, his colored chauffeur, recently, for speeding, Governor Blease declared that unless restitution was made he would invoke an obsolete statute and place Columbia under martial law. He also threatened that he would pardon every person convicted in the Columbia police court hereafter.

The Governor pardoned Neely two hours after his conviction, and directed that the fine be returned to the colored man. The city has withheld the money, however, pending an opinion on the case by the city attorney.

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The African Lion is the name of a race publication in Butte, Mont. The title page is decorated with two fine specimens of the bovine species, sitting vis-a-vis, resting on their haunches.

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Today Negroes have 35,000 church edifices worth $56,000,000. There are 200 private schools and colleges managed and almost entirely supported by Negroes, and other public and private Negro schools have received in forty years $45,000,000 of Negro money in taxes and donations.

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A bust of Frederick Douglass was unveiled recently with considerable ceremony in the home of C. L. Timberlake, Frankfort, Ky. The bust was made in the studio of the African Art Company, of Washington, D. C.

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Harriet Tubman, affectionately known as "Aunt Harriet," died recently in Auburn, N. Y., after a lingering illness at the Harriet Tubman Home. Short services were held over the remains at the home and the body lay in state at the Zion A. M. E. church. Well-known persons participated in the funeral services at the church. Harriet Tubman, who was about ninety-eight years old, was one of the most widely known colored women in this country.

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Matthew A. Henson, who accompanied Commander Peary to the north pole, went to work last week in the correspondence bureau of the Costums House under Collector Loeb at a salary of $1,000 a year. During the last week of his administration Mr. Taft issued an executive order making Henson a civil service appointee without taking an examination.

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Word has been received from the bedside of Rt. Rev. William B. Derrick, presiding bishop over the Michigan Methodist diocese, that he is critically ill. His attending physician and specialists say there is no hope for him. Stomach trouble and general breakdown are the causes.

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NORFLOK, Va.—Violet Hicks, colored, by her will dated July 10, 1908, and probated recently, leaves an estate of $6,400 in cash to be divided between Miss Mary E. Scott and Miss Virginia Scott, of this city, whom the testatrix regarded as her best friends in life.

The will is a brief one. The testatrix was unable to write herself and had to sign by mark. The money left was all in the bank, and represented a lifetime saving by the Negress.

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The colored people in the east end of Louisville, Ky., are to have a branch library. The library board has appropriated $4,000 for this purpose. The sum of $1,000 is to be raised by the citizens. The arrangements are in the hands of a colored committee.

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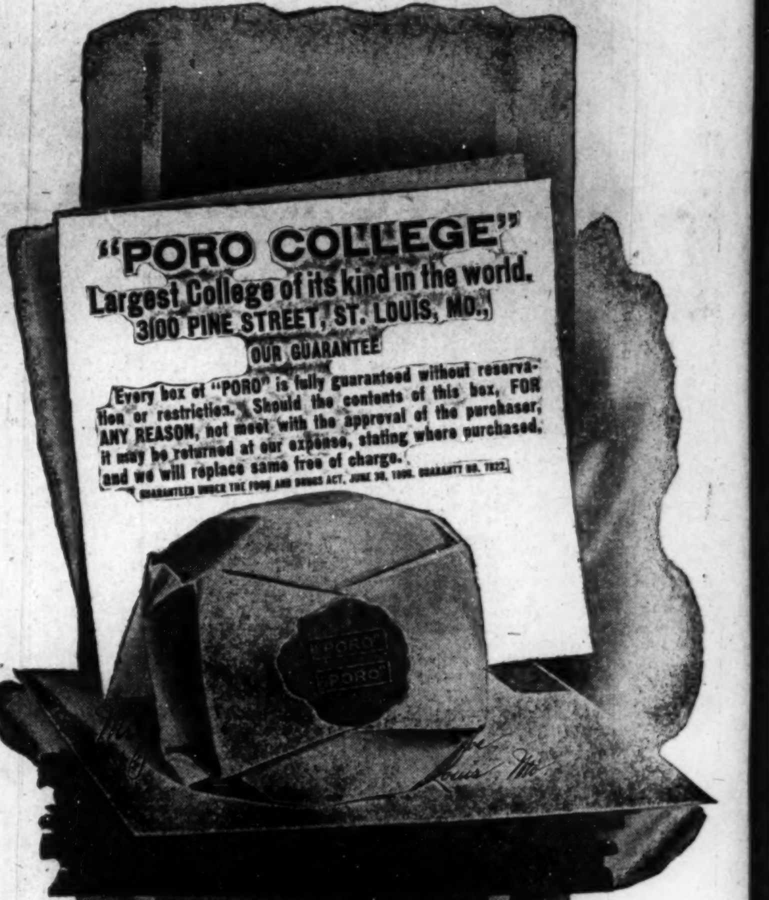

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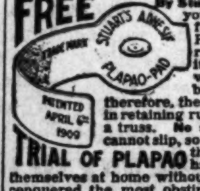

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SHORT FLIGHTS.

BY R. W. THOMPSON.

Ye Country Editor.

When there's sound of minstrelsy
 in Town Hall, overhead,
They always pass admission free,
 Ye Ed.

When people have a muffin fight,
 Or give a little spread,
They're always careful to invite
 Ye Ed.

When Old Subscriber, as of yore,
 Drives in upon his sled,
He leaves a tub of butter for
 Ye Ed.

His dollars, they are very few,
 When everything is said:
But what's the good of money to
 Ye Ed?

—Exchange.

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The worst may not happen.

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There should be no color line in merit.

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All roads will lead to Philadelphia in August.

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J. C. Napier is a typical American statesman.

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Look successful, and you have the battle half won already.

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A rascal never gives an honest man credit for being sincere.

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The best way to get even with an enemy is to—forgive him.

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The anti-intermarriage bill has been killed in the New Jersey legislature.

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"Tote square" if you would win a permanent place in the game of life.

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Lifelong Democrats" are as plentiful as the fabled "leaves of Vallombrosa."

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There is a species of cheer in finding a fellow whose woes are worse than our own.

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Dr. E. P. Jones is gaining ground in his candidacy for Grand Master of the G. U. O. of O. F.

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One of the surest ways to lose a political "pull" is to brag about it. "Mum's the word."

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The suffrage is too good for a man or woman who draws the color line against his or her neighbor.

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The K. of P.'s are preparing to march on Baltimore. They will be there from everywhere next August.

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Why not Mrs. Mary E. Washington, of New Albany, Ind., for the next national head of the Household of Ruth?

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Knowing what you want and what you have a ghost of a chance to get are large assets in looking for political plums.

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Booker T. Washington has won the West for Tuskegee and scietific industrialism. He has sown good seed in fertile soil.

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As we have remarked before, it is evident that Woodrow Wilson will have considerable influence with his own administration.

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It is not the fellow who chases hardest after an office that catches up with it. There is a likeness between politics and lovemaking.

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The entire race and nation bows its head at the bier of Harriet Tubman. She was the tried and true friend of liberty, justice and fraternity.

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Former Grand Master W. L. Houston is a "live wire" in the inner courts of the G. U. O. of O. F. as of yore. He will be heard from at the B. M. C. in 1914.

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The National Negro Press Association is a positive factor in the journalistic life of the nation. It has earned its place in the history of our times.

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Bishop J. S. Jackson and Bishop G. C. Clement are the most likely products of the next General Conference of the A. M. E. Zion Church. This is as it should be.

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The supersensitive leader spends three-fourths of his time denying idle rumors. The right kind of a leader just keeps on keeping on—making every moment count.

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A coming man in the officiary of the A. M. E. Zion Church is Dr. B. J. Bolding, of Petersburg, Va., now holding the most important Zionpost in the Virginia Conference.

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Most of our political leaders are looking for jobs with little work, great honor and big pay. Such jobs are few and far between, as they will find out before they are many weeks older.

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The Low and Rosenwald parties made a hit at Tuskegee Institute. Their visit was an inspiration to our folks in the South's Black Belt and an eye-opener to the Caucasian neighbors.

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The chimes on White Hall at Tuskegee Institute toll "glad tidings" which can be heard for miles around. This is one of the most notable innovations that the school has enjoyed in recent times.

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Iowa can take her place among the banner states of the Union. Her solons have refused to pass any sort of a jim-crow law. Brother John L. Thompson manages to keep his folks straight on the race question.

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The office should "seek the man," as a matter of course, but there is nothing to prevent a man from assisting the office to land on the right individual by handing his street and number to the head of the department.

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Lodges should meet earlier and adjourn earlier. It ought not to take sensible men and women four hours to do one hour's worth of business. Cut out the "pints of order" and get at the meat of questions at once.

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There is a disposition on the part of the masses to "pass up" the "big Negro" who tries to get away from his people. There is a rod in pickle for him when he comes down the ladder, as he is surely bound to come in course of time.

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In the hospital of the University of Virginia at Charlottesville, is Mary Washington, colored, who was the constant attendant and nurse of Mrs. Robert E. Lee during the last two years of that lady's life. Mary has some relics which Mrs. Lee gave her, and she cherishes them dearly. One is a beautiful English Testament, upon the flyleaf of which is written in a beautiful hand: "Mary Logan, from her friend, Mary Custis Lee, Alexandria, 24th May, 1873." Mrs. Washington is being treated for senile cataract on both eyes.

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Anything that helps the South helps the Negro, as he is a part of the warp and woof of that productive section. The Negro's greatest industrial and commercial opportunity is to be found in the Southland. Don't overlook this important fact.

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The papers are telling of a villain who has officiated as "best man" at ten weddings and is still a bachelor. Very properly, the girls are giving him the dickens for being so indifferent to their charms as to prefer an Eveless apartment to the bridal chamber. There is a movement on foot to cut him out from all social functions as an undesirable citizen. They say they want no "undertaker" in their midst, clad in a Cupid-proof coat of gloomy armor.

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The bill pending in Congress for the alleged purpose of preventing colored Odd Fellows, Masons, Elks, Knights of Pythias, etc., is not likely to become a law. Public sentiment is not so besotten with race prejudice that the name of a bird or animal is too sacred to be used in common by both races, so long as no natural or property right is placed in jeopardy. Pretty soon we may expect a restriction on the use of the name of Baptist, Methodist or Episcopalian, based on the color line—and then there will be some argument in the air.

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It is pleasing to note the cessation of the useless, unnecessary and unwise personal controversy that raged fiercely not long ago between two of our most prominent race papers. Without confining an opinion to the papers in question, it may be said on general principles, that such fights do no one any good and are subversive of the standards and best purposes of first-calss journalism. The temptation to "sass back" is human, but since the continuation of a fuss serves too often to give blackguards the free advertising they seek, wise editors can well afford to rest on their laurels and ignore attacks that do not injure them in the esteem of people worth while.

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The Baptist Foreign Mission Board has sent out programs to all of the Baptist Sunday schools in the country for the annual rally which will take place Sunday, March 23. Dr. L. G. Jordan, the corresponding secretary, whose address is 624 South Eighteenth street, Philadelphia, is asking that a liberal donation be given on this day for the benefit of the missionary work. He is ready to receive subscriptions in person and will send out supplies, blanks, etc., to all Sunday schools that notify him of their failure to receive these necessary papers. The centenary of the birth of the great African explorer, David D. Livingstone, will be celebrated this month, under the auspices of the board. Write Dr. Jordan at once, and enclose a substantial check for the relief of our brethren in the Dark Continent, and for the Christian workers who are carrying to them the torch of civilization and salvation.

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Bishop W. P. Thirkield, formerly president of Howard University, now stationed at New Orleans, La., continues to evince a deep interest in the welfare of his colored brethren. In a recent address on "Our Anglo-American Civilization," he argued that the English and American civilization, with all their faults, are the best in the world and that conditions are growing better, despite the many untoward happenings recorded in the daily life of these nations. Said he: "Today there are between 125 and 140 millions of English-speaking tongues and they have the highest ideals and broadest views of humanity." He is in favor of the most liberal recognition of the colored element in his own M. E. church and is known to have deplored the discriminatory spirit that prevented the election last year of a colored bishop. When the Negroes found they could not elect Dr. R. E. Jones, they centered upon Dr. Thirkield as the next best thing and cast the votes that decided his election. Bishop Thirkield is a sincere friend of Negro advancement, and his influence in the race's bthalf will be felt at the next General Conference of the M. E. Church in 1916.

SUPERVISORS NAMED FOR NEGRO RURAL SCHOOLS.

James L. Sibley of Jacksonville Takes Up New Line Educational Work.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., March 20.—Prof. James L. Sibley, a member of the faculty of the Jacksonville State Normal School, has been appointed to the new position of State Supervisor of negro rural schools by H. J. Willingham, State Superintendent of Education.

Some months ago the State Superintendent succeeded in making arrangements with the General Education Board of New York whereby he was authorized to appoint some suitable person at a salary of $3,000 which the General Education Board provided for indefinitely. The responsibilities of the position made it necessary to study earnestly every available man in the State before deciding upon the appointment. Mr. Sibley entered upon his duties on March 1, having headquarters in the State Department of Education at Montgomery.

Mr. Sibley is a graduate, in 1902, of the University of Georgia. He has had experience as a teacher in public schools, and during three years he was teacher of manual training in the State Normal School at Livingston, while for the past two years he has been holding a similar position at the State Normal School at Jacksonville, Ala. He is related to Hon. John W. Sibley, of Birmingham, Ala., until recently president of the Chamber of Commerce of that city.

Six months after the present State Superintendent of Education came into office, he placed Prof. N. R. Baker in the field as State Supervisor of Rural Schools for the whites, a position which has justified to a marked degree its usefulness. Mr. Baker's salary, also, is provided by the General Education Board, Mr. Willingham having been given permission to designate the man to fill the place.

The present administration of the State Department of Education has lent itself with every possible emphasis to the improvement of conditions in the rural schools of Alabama. Practically all the legislation which was fostered and supported by the present State Superintendent had for its purpose the improvement of conditions in the rural schools. The appointment of Messrs. Baker and Sibley, who will devote their entire time to the rural schools, is only carrying out the policy of emphasizing more and more that part of the public school system which is most in need of improvement.

SCOOBA, MISS.

Special to The Freeman.

We desire to express thanks and appreciation to the friends and neighbors for their assistance during the illness of Mrs. I. B. Neely, who is improving. We are glad to say she is better....W. T. Gillespie spent Sunday in Electric Mills, Miss., visiting his cousin, Jake Presswood....Mr. Daniel Campbell was in town yesterday on business....When in town and want your suit cleaned and pressed go to Sam Huston, who has opened a pressing club next door to A. M. William's shoe shop....Mr. F. Duplen, from Giles, Miss., made a business call in town Saturday....S. T. Beck left yesterday for Electric Mill, Miss., on business....The Freeman is for sale at the store of Fuller & Gillespie.

TAMPA, FLA.

Mrs. Booker T. Washington, president of the National Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, was the guest of the Phillis Wheatley Art Club of this city on March 14-17. She made several very isterestisg and instructive lectures to the club women. Mrs. Harriett L. Dorroh, state president of Florida, and Mrs. Lillian A. Turner, ex-state president of the state of Minnesota, accompanied the distinguished lady on her tour over the state.

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MEMBER NATIONAL NEGRO PRESS ASSOCIATION

The horrors of the flood was past description.

The Freeman has started a relief fund under the call of Mayor Shank. We will be pleased to receive contributions at this office.

Reports have it that Mrs. Matilda Winn, a colored laundress of Long Island, N. Y., who recently died, saved up $20,000. She certainly had to go some.

Sam Lucas, the veteran actor, was granted a pension recently by the government for his services during the Civil war. Mr. Lucas is the oldest Negro performer. He recently retired from active stage work.

The March of 1913 will be greatly remembered. From all accounts the former record of storm and flood has been broken. General sympathy met the general disaster, and the very best has been done for the victims.

President Wilson, acting on the advice of Attorney General McReynolds, has concluded to abolish the office of Assistant Attorney General, now held by W. H. Lewis of Boston. So the question of who will succeed Lewis has been eliminated from political affairs.

The Freeman, as well as business in general, feels the effects of the recent storms and floods. Our mail has been delayed ;in fact delivery was impossible for several days.

We ask our patrons to excuse the shortcomings of our publication this week owing to delayed trains and other means of conveyance, which made it impossible to publish much of the kind of news expected.

Owing to the high water of last week we were unable to get our publication to its patrons throughout the country. All means of conveyance were blocked, making it impossible to send out matter or to receive. We are aware of the great inconvenience to the agents and patrons, but they will see it in the light of what has happened. The business of this section of the country was effectually stopped for a few days; the greatest concerns were the sport of the elements.

COLERIDGE-TAYLOR'S WIDOW IN NEED.

One of our exchanges says that "the sum of $2,250 is needed by July 1 to keep the residence of the late Samuel Coleridge-Taylor from being sold. It is proposed that the colored American admirers of Mr. Taylor and his work should raise this money."

The colored people are willing enough to contribute the amount needed. The trouble is that no one takes the lead in the matter. It will be a shame if with all the profession of love and admiration for the late distinguished composer we fail in showing proof of the same at this very much needed time.

Coleridge-Taylor was such a rare gift to the race that to honor his memory in any way possible should be considered an opportunity. It will be remembered that he was measured by the world's standard of greatness. Viewing races as such we should be proud to offer him as our contribution to the world. The white races honor their great in all ways, when living and when dead. Of course, some of the great of the white race have been neglected—"unhonored, unwept, unsung"—but the rule has been otherwise. We have this solitary figure; not scores to confuse us and to make uncertain his worth. He stands in splendid isolation; we can not be mistaken. We are not burdened by much giving, yet it seems as if we are indifferent to his fate. Civilization's upkeep demands that we not only laud and applaud through life, but that we do not falter in our estimation after the grave.

The close friends of the late composer in this country should get together with the view of meeting the demands made on his widow. Will they do it, or merely be content in advertising her needs? We have much to say on preserving whatever art disposition or talent as so much race capital whose development should be watched. Now's the time to prove the spirit for the thing so much advertised.

THE RECENT FLOOD.

Many letters are being received in this city from relatives and friends living elsewhere asking about the high water in this community a few days ago. Newspaper reports greatly exaggerated the situation. The flood was great and destructive, but at no time were the lives of the people endangered in the sense of the impression abroad. Those living in the river bottoms and the creek bottoms were inconvenienced, many of their homes were swept away or ruined. Hundreds of homes appeared as so many boats on a river so completely surrounded were they by the water. The people had ample time to escape from their homes which they did. Not more than half a dozen lives were lost. Most of these took chances thinking that the flood would be less than it was. As far as is learned no colored persons were drowned. A number of them were saved by rescuing parties. These like the white people who were endangered lived on the low lands about the streams.

FREEMAN'S FLOOD RELIEF FUND. MAYOR ISSUES FLOOD FUND APPEAL.

Mayor Shank has issued the following appeal to the public:

"The city is facing one of the gravest situations in its history, the flood having made hundreds of families homeless. The city is doing everything in its power to alleviate the condition of the suffering and unfortunates, but it will be impossible for the city to care for all of those who have been made homeless. I appeal to all citizens to co-operate with the city authorities and the charity organizations in trying to lessen the suffering of the flood victims. Funds are needed for some time to come for relief purposes, and I suggest that citizens, seeing the great need and who desire to help, send contributions to the mayor's office or to the offices of Indianapolis newspapers. This money received will be used as a relief fund for the citizens of Indianapolis."

Following the above request of Mayor Shank special arrangements have been made in our office to receive relief funds which will be turned over to the city authorities.

We feel it our duty as a race paper to push this call for help beyond the city limits to our own people all over the country. For be it known that the colored people are the greatest sufferers here in this city and that every possible thing has been done by the city authorities for their comfort.

We ask you all to send some token of sympathy to the distressed here in this city to help swell the general relief fund. All money sent will be printed beside the sender's name in our weekly columns and turned over as a race donation to the city authorities.

Words cannot picture the horrible disaster that followed the breaking of a levee along White River early Wednesday morning. The city water and gas supply is crippled and there is no street car and very little train service to be had.

Address all contributions to the Indianapolis Freeman's Relief Fund.

AS IT SHOULD BE.

Two white men, Arthur Jones and William Watson, were hanged last week in Birmingham, Ala., for the murder of a Negro, John Holland. This was the first case of the kind in the history of the county. In fact, there have been but a few cases similar in the whole country. It would be wrong to express pleasure, owing to the misfortune of the hanged men. However, a sense of satisfaction will be felt, we think, by our race in that the penalty is a virtual recognition of all the people before the laws. The world of thoughtful men will not be displeased in knowing that common justice is taking a firmer hold in the affairs of men, thus making for the civic situation that has been the dream of idealists and philosophers.

Very often it is said, that out of death springs life. Not always, but very often. It is particularly so in this case. Out of the dismal ending of those two white men comes a thrill of hope, whose influence will be worldwide, acting as more light to our somewhat civic gloom. This act of simple justice, merely the pronouncement of judge and jury doing their duty, are more than agitation or legislation in bringing about the very much needed.

We can do very well without intermarriage, if not expected. We have patience with the so-called "jimcrow" provisions in public conveyances, as voted in many places, and all that, but to be denied protection of life, limb, property, the fundamental of society is ostracism—outlawry.

It is needless to say that the whole Negro race is thankful for the sense of justice displayed. They will take courage, feeling to endure much,, viewing what has happened as indicative of a promise of better things.

IN OLD PADUKE.

Nurses Indorsed—Wedding Bells—Lincoln High School Plays Metropolis Jints—Uniform Rank, K. of P., Company "H," at Mayfield—Theatricals—News of the River—Prof. Ed. Ewing Gone to Great Beyond—Great Easter Exercises at the Various Churches.

(By J. J. Amos, 1063 N. Seventh St.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Woman's Hospital League adopted resolutions endorsing thee nurses who recently struck at the City Hospital and allowed to work until they secured their diploma after being reinstated. A new superintendent and a new assistant were recommended when the terms of the incumbents expire. No colored nurses are used at this hospital....After an elapse of many weeks the baseball season opens with Lincoln High School of Paducah playing interesting games on the Metropolis diamond. This was the first game of the season of the L. H. S. boys and, considering the condition of the ground and other disadvantages, the game was interesting from the beginning to the last half of the ninth inning, when the Metropolis boys brought in one more score, making the standing "ten to eleven" scores in favor of Metropolis. L. H. S. won quite a few games last season. The team is composed of: Manager, Prof. G. H. Jackson, principal of Lincoln High School; captain, James Mitchell; Willie Morton, catcher; Estel Bush, first base; Lather Singleton, second base; James Flournog, right field; Tysul Flournog, left field; Lee Arnington, center field; James Mitchell, pitcher; Greenwell ,third base; Stewart Nelson shortstop. Watch for other dates and games by the L. H. S. boys....George Brown has gone to West aBden, Ind., to join his team, the West Baden Sprudels. Old Paduke is proud of George Brown. If you want to know how the game is going watch how Brown does the center field work....Monday night last the Uniform Rank Company H, K. of P., spent several happy hours in our neighboring city, Mayfield, Ky. Nearly half a hundred pleasure seekers went with Company H. Those who went follow: Mesdames: Nolan Samuels, Ollie Rogers, Susie Kendall, Isabel Dunlap, Mary Fitzgerald, Gilberta Pearson, Bane Barton, Mary Hendon, Linnie Jackson....Company H was very fortunate in having in its presence on the train Mrs. Cecilia Mitchell, who was on her way to Memphis, Tenn. The writer, after having acquired Mrs. Mitchell's pleasing acquaintance, soon learned that she is a member of Dunbar Court No. 45. Added to Mrs. Mitchell's acquaintance was that of Sir Knight John W. Egester, lieutenant-colonel of the First Regiment, Kentucky Brigade. Company H wishes Mrs. Mitchell a safe arrival to her happy home, 184 McMore avenue. Mrs. Mitchell, you are as welcome as the flowers in May in "Old Paduke," says Company H. Before we had reached our pleasure station, Mayfield, we welcomed in our friendly circle Prof. S. F. Collins, who, as an instructor, is prominently connected with Philander College, Little Rock, Ark. Prof. Collins is a friend of Prof. G. W. Jackson, principal of Lincoln High School at Paducah. Captain Rogers says: "Prof. Collins, should you want to enjoy genuine happiness, meet my boys of Company H." Others who spent their time with us are as follows: Misses Minnie Leavel, Bessie Thorpe, Alberta Topp, Ellie Lindsey, Florence Dickerson, Anna Hague and Mrs. Bertha Lunderman, Miss Lizzie Jordan. Messrs Vernon Ward of Peoria, Ill.; W. A. Thomas of Mayfield, Rube Merriweather of Hickman, Tom Oldon, Sam Gause of Memphis and our old reliable patron, George Hollowell. A few of H's members: Captain Ollie Rogers, Quartermaster Sergeant Thomas D. Waugh, First Lieutenant A. C. Pryor, I. W. Egester, lieutenant colonel First Regiment, Kentucky Brigade; Sergeant Recorder Bar Barton, Second Lieutenant Joe Marsha, First Sergeant J. J. Amos....A small number of persons we met at Major Bonnar's Hall, Mayfield's "Amusement Center." They were from Fulton, Ky.: Mrs. Ellen Smith, Mr. Willie Birks and L. House. Speaking for Company H, Captain Rogers gratefully thanks our Mayfield friends for preparing and attending our military drill; many times appreciated the presence of those dear Fulton patrons, and, for the limitless support the Paducah people have given us, we earnestly thank them more than a thousand times, and respectfully request their presence at any entertainment given under the auspices of Company H, U. R. K. of P. (Signed: Sir Knight Captain, Ollie Rogers, Commanding Company H....Mr. and Mrs. Artis Danner, 801 Caldwell street, lost their baby boy. The burial was at Milan, Tenn..Tuesday night, February 18, Miss Janie Rickett and Mr. Clarence Brown were united in holy wedlock by Rev. McClure at the C. M. E. Church. Mr. and Mrs. Brown are residing with Rev. Bell in Arcadia. Yours for success.... "Mr. and Mrs. Newly Wed and Their Baby" were at the Kentucky last week. This is the show that tickled the house's ribs....Owing to the heavy rains the Ohio river is rising fast. The gauge read 33.6 feet, 11.6 feet since the last twenty-four-hour report. The steamer City of St. Louis was at Paducah Friday last and cleared for Tennessee river, with a large cargo. Mr. Ewing Hooser is going to Texas on the City of St. Louis. The writer was shown this beautiful steamer by Mr. Hooser, who lives at 1409 Pine street, St. Louis....Mrs. J. D. Carter, after spending several weeks in St. Louis, is now at home at Seventh and Ohio streets....Mrs. Mae Thomas has returned from Covington, Tenn., where she attended the bedside of her cousin, Miss Millie L. Driver, who is reported much improved....Mr. Henry McKnight has been confined to his bed, suffering from a sprained back. His residence is 1230 South Tenth street....Miss Minnie Crowell, Wardie Wylie, Mrs. E. B. Perry, her brother, Herbert Williams, and a party of other lovers of baseball went to Metropolis Saturday and Sunday morning....When the report was heard that Prof. Ed Ewing was dead a cover of sadness shadowed his many friends. The end came Wednesday, March 12, and Thursday, or a few hours later, his body was shipped to Indiana, his former home. Before Prof. Ewing became in bad health he was leader of Marshall's cornet band. The band, showing respect to their leader, rendered sweet solemn selections from his home to the train, and while the train was leaving the station the band played the everlasting strain, "Nearer, My God, To Thee."....Miss Alice Murry, domestic science teacher in Cairo High School, was the guest of Mrs. S. H. George....Easter Sunday was religiously celebrated by the many churches of the city, all of thef having appropriate services....Mrs. Lou Futrell made a flying trip to Murray on business, accompanied by Miss Trods Hodges....Miss Jessie Bell Coleman of Hopkinsville spent a short stay in Paducah....A goodly number of white people visited the Trimble Street Christian Church Sunday afternoon and complimented the services highly....Miss Alice Mare of Chicago is spending a welcome stay with friends and relatives in Paducah....Certainly you can get The Freeman each week. See Amos at 1063 North Seventh street, or No. 944 Old phone. Miss Obedius Adams will tell you about The Freeman.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

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Special to THE FREEMAN:

The injustice to some of the race here must be borne by others who have more of a desire in life than mere fine clothes. It seems that the wealthier some Negroes get the less attention they pay to the less fortunate members of the race who made it possible for them to rise in the world. This is a poor spirit to be held by anyone, and does not help the cause of the race in the lesat. May God have mercy on the parasites and money horders of the race, and bring them to a realization that other people live on this old earth besides themselves. On the other hand, we have citizens who are ever ready to do good for the race, and it is through the efforts of these that we are making the progress so much in evidence today. These are some of the sentiments expressed by speakers at the recent sessions of the Knights of Pythias held in this city. This grand order is doing a great work in the uplift of humanity the world over. Anyone who is a member of the Knights of Pythias should be proud of the fact. Enlisted in the membership of this order are some of our best people, and it is in the teachings of the lodge that the members try to follow the example of love set by Damon and Pythias of old Carthegian days. The march of the ranks of the order was a grand pageant and was witnessed by a large crowd. Some of the brightest and most eloquent speakers were on the program....The friends of Mrs. W. A. Abners, who resides at 2820 State street, gathered at her home Tuesday evening and enjoy the hospitality extended to them by the hostess. A delightful evening was spent by all present. Many handsome presents were received by Mrs. Abners. A fine menu was served to the guests, who were Mr. and Mrs. Will Mayes, Mr. and Mrs. A. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Bragg, Misses Julia Helpin, Ethel Richardson, Odessa Stewart, Georgia Adkins, Labelle Todd, Lizzie Steward, Bazil Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. Van Tennison, Thomas C. Richardson, Ruby Richardson, Mr. Risby, Mr. Blake, Mr. Johnson, Mr. McGregor, Wm. G. Stanton, Thomas J. Harris, Willie Collier, George M. Simms (Atlanta, Ga.), W. L. Johnson, B. R. Perkins, C. R. Proctor, A. M. Williams, Martha L. White and others....Mr. J. A. Johnson, 817 Good street, is well again after a recent illness....Mr. Jim Beard, 2700 Cochran street, is back at his duties again as trucker at the T. & P. freight house....Mr. Joe H. Thomas has moved to 2601 Williams street....Eddie Hendricks is now located at 1811 Pocahontas street....Andrew R. Robertson, expert rubber tire setter, is now employed by the Elite Company on Young street. Call and see him....Mrs. L. B. Bluitt, of East St. Louis is here the guest of Mrs. L. B. Jackson on San Jacinto street. She is on her return home from Waco, where she attended the funeral of her brother who was killed at San Antonio. She has the sympathy of all the people....Mr. O. Holmes who died in Plano was buried in McKinney on last Tuesday....H. A. Ammons, of Beaumont was in the city this week....Ben Martin is running out of Dallis on the M., K. & T. to Parsons, Kans....Haword Taylor, 2918 Coates street, is a chicken raiser of some note....Miss Pearl Nichols is at home from Mineral, where she attended the funeral of neice the past week....The beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Versher, 608 South Akard street, was the scene of the twenty-fifth birthday anniversary of Mr. M. A. Goins, son of Rev. A. W. Goins, ex-pastor of St. Paul M. E. church at Monroe, La, but now of this city. He is a young man of sterling worth. The evening was spent in a delightful manner, and many token of remembrance were given the young man. A number of prominent person were in attendance....Mrs. Nettie Reynolds can be found at 418 North Central avenue, Mr. Emanuel Brown, also, where good things to eat can be had....Mr. George Smith, of Corsicana, spent several days visiting his brother, J. S. Smith, 2626 Cochran street....Mr. J. H. Carliss, of Chicago, is here to take his mother to Illinois as soon as he can dispose of her property....Henry Taylor, of Clarksville, Texas, has recently built a new residence....Rev. C. L. McPherson officiated at the wedding of Mr. J. D. Curvin and Miss Launita Moss last Wednesday evening, at 2617 Gilliott street, in the presence of a number of friends. They were given a reception by their friends....The receiver of the Penny Savings Bank is having notices served on the officials and all stockholders of that institution all over the state as well as in the city....New faces are being seen each week at the colored theaters, which seems to be an attraction, as the patronage is steadily on the increase....There is much improvement being done by members of the race here, and this is to be credited to them in their desire to make better homes and improve the appearance of the city....Several of our people are still on the sick list....Miss V. H. Lee visited her brother and family at Fort Worth the past week. She reports a pleasant trip....There is plenty of work in and around Dallas for those who are seeking employment, so it is up to the idlers to get busy and earn an honest dollar....Here are some new readers of the Freeman who are glad to receive the paper into their homes: J. H. Allison, Sidney Harvey, Henry James, L. Davidson, S. A. Streets, Esther Thomas, H. Strickland, Mary Jones, Wm. Hightower, C. T. Thompson, F. J. Perry, G. C. English, Alta Newcomb, J. C. Frazier, W. C. Patton, Charles Pleicque, F. C. Hoard, M. E. Green, C. Brewer, Alice Chappel, Lizzie Kimbo, Dean Rowe, D. W. Wynn, Jonas Manack, Adam Williams, Ella C. Spring, D. Tanner, R. A. Franklin, E. A. Jones, Cal Wilkerson. We are thankful for the many good words that other readers are saying for the Freeman, which is causing us to add daily new subscribers to the list. If you wish to reach the mass of the race who read, you should advertise in the Freeman and thus help your business along....L. Davidson and Si Perkins are conducting a thriving pool and billiard parlor at 605 North Central avenue and 2829 Elm street, also..Mr. John Craig is having his Allen street lot filled in to the street grade.

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WANTED—INFORMATION.

Mr. Mitchell Williams, when last heard from, was in Muscogee, Okla., and was going to Kansas City, Mo. Business of importance awaits his attention. Address or wire Mrs. Maggie Marshall (nee) Moore, 2811 Commerce street, Dallas, Texas. April 5.

MAT KURTY TRAGEDY—THE M. E. CONFERENCE IN SESSION

Jesse Steward Active in Spite of His Age—Death of Rev. Jackson Riley.

(By George Slaughter.)

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 25—(Special.)—Miss Mattie Louden of Eminence, Ky., ishere visiting friends and relatives, the guest of Mrs. Lula Burton, 116 East Green street. There was an informal reception given in her honor on Thursday evening, when covers were laid for fifteen, after which dancing was enjoyed until the wee small hours of the morning. All voted the entertainment the best of the post Lenten season.

Mat Kurtz, 28 years of age, entered the residence of George Selvy at 958 Jackson street, on Saturday night and asked for his wife, Laura, that he had been separated from for fifteen months, and when she entered the room he said, "I have come here to die." Before the woman could make a reply he pulled a revolver from his pocket and fired four shots rapidly. Two shots went into his wife's body and she died ten hours later at the hospital, where she was hurried. After shooting his wife he turned the revolver on himself and fired two shots into his own body. One went to his heart and he died instantly. He left three notes stating the cause of the tragedy.

A carload of persons from this city went to the town of Simpsonville, Ky., last Saturday night to witness the cantata given at the First Methodist Church, under the management of Mrs. Mary Yeager. The cantata was a success, both financially and otherwise. The singing of the Yeagers and Miss Frances Busey was the feature event of the evening. The young lady that recited "Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight" has a great memory, but should be coached upon the art of elocution. But withal, the entertainment was good.

The M. E. Conference convened in the city this week and delegates from Indiana and Kentucky are in attendance. We will give the list of appointments in our next letter. Rev. C. H. Parrish will make the opening and welcome address on behalf of the churches and city.

Mr. Jesse Steward has the distinction of being the most active as well as the oldest man in Louisville. Mr. Steward was born in Brooklyn, Ky., and was a slave to Mr. William Cogar. At the outbreak of the Civil war Mr. Steward ran away and joined the Union Army under Genera lU. S. Grant, and served until peace was declared. At present he draws a pension from the United States and lives at Twenty-eighth and Broadway. Mr. Steward has a good memory and converses intelligently of the Mexican war and remembers all of the Presidents except Washington, Jefferson and Madison. Mr. Steward does not smoke, drink nor chew and he attributes his long life to his temperate habits.

The choir of the Bethel Baptist Church at Forest, Ky., is going to render the cantata, "The Nazarene," at the church on an early date in April..

The Louisville News is beginning to doubt the wisdom of its course in its wild and thoughtless support of Engelhard and Strother for membership on the board of education. It claimed during the campaign that these gentlemen would, if elected, strictly enforce the merit system in the appointments and promotions of teachers and that they have departed from this salutary rule and yielded to outside pressure. Be that as it may the News finds it is not infallible in its judgment of the character of political candidates. It took occasion in its fight for these gentlemen to throw dirty reflections upon some of the best people in town who opposed them. Apologies are now in order.

The Rev. Jackson Riley, Baptist missionary and evangelist, the oldest Baptist minister in the South, was buried last Monday from the Lampton Baptist Church. His body lay in state from 9 a. m. to 12 noon. The Rev. C. C. Bates officiated. The funeral was largely attended. The floral designs were rich and numerous.

Miss Georgia A. Smith of the Benjamin Banneker School, who was badly injured in a wreck on the L. & I. R. R., has recovered and is back at her post of duty.

Mrs. Ann Pope, aged 72 years, of 654 South Sixth street, was buried from C. M. E. Church on Chestnut street last Thursday. She was the mother of thirteen children. For many years she made her home in Marion County, Ky., and lived in Louisville, Ky., for the last forty years. Rev. Lewis preached a fine funeral sermon and eulogized her as he only knew how. Five daughters and one son are left to mourn her loss.

The Post-Lenten entertainment given at Thirteenth and Walnut streets, March 27, was a grand success and all that attended had a good time and were sorry when it closed.

The Louisville Courier-Journal of March 25, is the largest paper ever printed in the world. It consists of 192 pages of 8 columns each. All ofthe large New York and Chicago papers are seven columns to a page and if this paper of March 25 was just seven columns to a page, it would be 219 pages on a regular business day. Each paper weighs four pounds and it requires 14 cents to mail each paper. All will have to take off their hats to the largest paper in the world published on a business day. It is "Marse Henry's" treat.

The many friends can offer congratulations to Miss Jennie Edwards and Mr. Isaac Edward, as they were married on March 15, 1912, over in the city of Jeffersonville, Ind. by the very obliging magistrate. The marriage came as a surprise to their host of friends. All join in wishing them a long, happy and prosperous life.

Mr. Jefferson Coleman, who has been on the sick list for the last three weeks, is out at work again at his tonsorial parlor, 614 West Green street.

Mr. Ad Slaughter, the popular clubhouse man of the East End, was down town this week giving the so-called clubhouse men of the West End a few pointers as how to run and manage clubhouses. Thanks, friend Ad.

The writer of this column would like for some of the good citizens of Louisville or any others to kindly send the names of the "uplift committee" to 614 West Green street, R. L. Leak. Thanks in advance.

Mr. Charles Campbell, the very efficient engineer of the canal locks, has resigned that lucrative position to accept a similar one near the center of the city. His friends wish him luck.

Mrs. Hattie Dale, Susie Gynn and Ernest Payne and George Carter surprised Mrs. Minnie Foree Thursday evening on her return home from West Baden with a dinner party. Quite a number of her friends were present.

Mrs. Mary Bell of South Second street, who has been confined to her bed for some time, is improving.

Mr. W. N. Turley, a traveling photographer, who has just returned from his tour of the South, reports a very successful trip and is now on his way to California.

The Louisville Cubs were out Sunday practicing and a good crowd of fans were out to see tehm.

Mrs. Eva Jackson of South Preston street gave a delightful after dinner party Sunday in honor of Mr. Herman Jackson's birthday. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. Baker.

How soon friends change! Nervous Nat, who sought the job of mascot with the ball team, has a rival in Robert Clark who tried to undermine him from his job. The players, after comparing Nat and Clark, gave the job to Nat. Another one stepped in by the name of Louis Tichner, the famous bean man, but he was soon dismissed, as the team cannot carry beans or chile around to open the can for him.

Lovel Taylor, the well-known young comedian, is in Chicago spending a few weeks to arrange for big time.

Mr. Eugene Clark will leave shortly for Texas to join the great London Shows.

Mr. John White, who has been in Pittsburgh and many other Eastern points, has returned to the city to meet his many friends.

Mr. Henry James of Shelbyville, was run down and killed here Sunday at Floyd and Green streets.

BLACK PATTI AT THE WALNUT ST. THEATER, LOUISVILLE, KY.

"Captain Jasper," as presented by the Black Patti Musical Company at the Walnut, commencing Sunday matinee, April 6, for the entire week, is said to be the best she has ever had. There is a plot and a story that is interesting. Friends of Captain Jasper, Colonel Warsaw, of the U. S. A., with his daughter Lucy, when on the eve of their departure for the Philippine Islands for a pleasure trip, discovered the theft of very valuable papers to this government concerning secret plans of attack on the Philippine strongholds, also documents given in trust to the Colonel by his friend, Sergeant Jackson, intended for his daughter Cheteka when she became of age. These papers concern an enormously wealthy grant of land in the United States, which some day will make her very wealthy. Before departing for the Philippines Colonel Warsaw is informed that a certain Major Drummond, who was commissioned to the islands several months prior to the discovery of the theft, had committed the crime. Captain Jasper is commanded to search for him and to recover at all hazards the secret plans. The Colonel intends at the same time to make an effort to secure the return of the valuable documents left by Sergeant Jackson to the Colonel. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson (formerly Cheteka Castro, a native of the Philippine Islands), whose relations have become estranged, and having a longing for her native land, decides to return and take her daughter Cheteka with her. Here she meets Major Drummond, who acquaints her with the contents of the valuable missing documents left in trust to Colonel Warsaw. Through much persuasion, false promises, etc., he finally induced Cheteka to sign a power of attorney authorizing him to dispose of her property rights left by her father. Just as he is negotiating to dispose of same at a great undervalue, he is detected by one U. R. Swift and his friend Captain Jasper Charcoal (an inoffensive character), who afterwards stirs up things for Drummond and others by being mistaken for the real captain. Upon the arrival of the party in the United States Major Drummond, in an effort to escape, meets an untimely death. The stolen papers are eventually returned to their real owners. The same careful attention for the care of the colored patrons will be followed for this engagement. See next issue of The Freeman for particulars as to prices, etc.

SPECIAL EASTER SERVICES.

The Stroll University Club—Chicago's Clubs—the Minstrels.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

CHICAGO, Ill., March 25.—(Special.)—Easter in Chicago was different from those of past years, as the day was attended with gray skies and pouring rains, a cold, slow wind from the lake and no bit of flowers to cheer the day. It was the most dismal Easter ever witnessed in Chicago. No Easter gowns or hats were in evidence. Hats and furs worn on Christmas were very fashionable on Easter.

Special Easter Services.

Elaborate services were held at the Methodist churches and the pulpits were lavishly decorated with flowers and Easter lilies. The music was of a superb quality. The choirs were gowned in white robes, chanting "He Is Risen," "Eastertide," etc. There were special services at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church where the Rev. Massiah administered communion services. Bishop B. F. Lee preached a special sermon at Institutional Church and the presiding elder of the district preached at Bethel Church and Rev. Dr. Cook preached at Quinn Chapel. A very interesting program was rendered at Grace Presbyterian Church Sunday School with special services in the morning conducted by Rev. Moses Jackson.

The "Stroll."

The annual parade on Easter had a setback. It rained continuously throughout the day and but few were seen on the "stroll" "diked out" for Easter. It is presumed that the dressers will save their gowns for the following Sunday. The theaters had good crowds, but few of the audience would brave the weather with new hats and gowns. The managers of the cafes report that very little business was done on Easter due to the very inclement weather.

University Club at Bethesda.

The University Club held a most interesting meeting at Bethesda Baptist Church, Wabash avenue and Thirty-eighth street and a large crowd was present in spite of the miserable weather. Miss B. Fortson read an ode to Mrs. Ida Wells-Barnett, paying her a high tribute for her stand in the parade at the inauguration at Washington, D. C. Attorney S. Lang Williams delivered an address on "Race Prejudice, Its Cause and Solution." A lively discussion followed. An excellent musical program was rendered.

Peter Jones Reopens.

Mr. ePter Jones, Chicago's foremost photographer, has reopened his Climax Post Card Studio at 3420 State street. The window has been handsomely decorated with postal cards and other enlarged photos. He is now ready for business and has a most competent assistant. Mr. Jones is regarded as one of the best photographers in the country and has taken pictures for Booker T. Washington, Henry O. Tanner, Mrs. George Walker, Mr. and Mrs. "Burt" Williams, Mrs. Booker T. Washington, and other race celebrities. Mr. Jones is a real artist and the work in the window easily demonstrates his ability as a workman and finisher of the most cultivated class. Persons wishing cards taken and finished almost in a minute see Mr. Jones of the Climax, 3420 State street.

Miss Leona Daughtry of Sixty-fifth and Vincennes avenue, has guests from Kansas City. She entertained last Friday night at whist.

Miss Katie Fowler has returned to the city from Atlanta, Ga. She reports a very pleasant stay.

Chicago's Clubs.

In the city of Chicago there are about fifty clubs of various aims and objects. Some are literary and other work in the charitable and social fields. Among the most prominent girls' clubs are the Pandora, Chicago Civic, Phi Delta and the Jewel; among the literary clubs preeminently we find the University Society, Criterion, Bethel Literary, Swastika, Young People's Progressive, Men's Civic League Phalanx, Standard Literary and Peerless; among the charitable clubs are Volunteer Workers, Phyllis Wheatley, Fisk, Tuskegee, Fellowship League and West Side Women's Club; among the clubs doing social work we find the Orchard Whist, Midlothian, Navarre, Umbrian Glee, Federal Glee, Entre Nous and the Twentieth Century Whist. The clubs of Chicago are exciting wide and favorable commendation and are actually making some valuable contributions to the welfare of the race of this city. The literaries have discussed questions on race problems affecting the Negro here and throughout the country. Particularly effective has been the work of the charitable clubs and the Amateur Minstrel Club went up 100 per cent. higher by giving such a splendid entertainment on Monday night for the benefit of the Old Folks' Home.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

The churches have been quite busy and are all making themselves and their good work felt....The K. of P. will have its sermon preached at St. Paul A. M. E. Church on Zavalla street on the last Sunday of this month. Prof. Hawkins' band will furnish music....We were given the pleasure of a recital by Miss Maud Cuney Hare, assisted by Mr. Richardson, at the Second Baptist Church. Quite a large crowd attended and there was nothing but praise for the performers. Miss Hare is of one of the old Texas families. ....Some friction aroused the entire force of waiters at the Hunter Hotel and a general walk-out was the result. We wish the boys good luck....With the arrival of Jolly John at the Drealmand, we hope the place will take on new life....For all the news of the race read the Freeman. It can be found at 126 North Cherry street. S. A. HARRISON.

IRONDALE, OHIO.

On Easter Sunday Mr. Rabbit layed eggs at all the churches for the little ones ....Mr. Horace Adams, and Homer Willson spent Easter Sunday in East Liverpool....Mr. Gen Brown and Ernest Pennington were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willson at Salberry, Ohio....Mr. Carl Kates and Dock Hodgroves were out of the city Sunday....Rev. Sam McMeater held a revival meeting at his church Saturday night....Edward Bennett is on the sick list....Homer Buckanh is still in the city....Mr. Dock Sherrels tried one of Jack Johnson's stunts; he tried to outbox two men, but failed....Mr. Homer Wilson writes that he wants a girl just like the girl that married dear old dad....S. Pennington and E. Pennington were out of the city Monday....Spend your spare time reading the Freeman.

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Burgess and McClennon, the Two Puzzles, are making good everywhere. At Rockhill, S. C., last week.

Jimmie Dick is still in Daytona, Fla., having much success. He will remain there until April 15, when he will go to Macon, Ga.

Whitman Sisters (May and Essie) and picks are meeting with great success on United time around Boston. They are booked solid.

Michaels and Michaels are at the Gordon Square Theater, Cleveland, O. Will play the Majestic Theater, Toronto, Ontario, week of March 31.

Frank Montgomery, Florence McClain and his Dixie Players had big success in Columbus, Ind., first half of this week. Will be at Knightstown, Ind., last half.

The Carter Trio at Gold Theater first half of this week, Brooklyn, N. Y.; last half Bon Ton, Jersey City, N. J. Sunday night concert Herdtic and Seamons, New York City.

The "Incomparable Dewayman Niles" that artistic contortionist with J. C. O'Brien's Greater Georgia Minstrels, is a stellar attraction now showing in the state of Mississippi.

Nugent and Schaffer (Carrie and Odessa are cleaning up at the Metropolitan Theater, Memphis, Tenn., with their neat sister team. They are some singers and dancers.

Charles A. Burton of the team of Burton and Witts is at his mother's home in Hoopeston, Ill., under the care of a doctor. He was injured in a wreck on the Frisco leaving Chicago Sunday night, March 23.

James H. Gray, with Stetson's "Uncle Tom's Cabin," was in the city this week on his way to Dayton, O., to visit his mother. Will rejoin his show at Terre Haute, Ind. Mr. Gray takes the part of Uncle Tom.

Earle and Johnson and their "Sunflower Trio" are meeting with great success on the Pacific coast. Now playing for Edward Kellie of Seattle, Wash. In May we open, with our company headed East. Our first Eastern tour in eight years, and we are still young men.

Robert C. White and wife Estella, after an absence of a few months, have joined hands and are prepared to give the audience some new acts. There'll be nothing said or done in our acts that will mar the feelings of any lady or child that sees or hears it. They will be seen over the Dudley circuit.

Black Patti's Company at Louisville next week. For this engagement the entire balcony and mezzanine boxes will be reserved for the colored patrons at the regular theater prices: Balcony, first four rows, 35 cents; remaining seven rows, 25 cents; mezzanine box seats, 50 cents. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday matinees. All balcony seats, 25 cents; mezzanine, 50 cents. Seats now on sale.

Eugene Clark has got together a minstrel company. Now with Sauger's Greater European Shows, Band and Orchestra. Opened up at Montgomery, Ala., March 29. Grant Smith, the well-known bandmaster of Louisville, has charge of the band. The bunch consists of the following: Charles Milton, Samuel Day, cornets; Will Johnson, Joe Shuck, altos; H. Bayley, Jerry Martin, trombones; L. B. Herndon, baritone; Grant Smith, tuba and bandmaster; Eugene Clark, bass drum; Will Able, snare drum; Miss Annie Hicks, Cora Adams, and Lawrence Mudd Rastus, better known as "Charleston."

WHAT'S WHAT ON THE DUDLEY CIRCUIT.

Week of March 31, 1913.

Washington, D. C.—S. H. Dudley Theater, Lew Henry, manager: Wilson and Wilson, Easton and Easton. Fairland Theater, Frank Kearney, manager: The Hillmans, Madge Clinton and Pick. West End Theater, Charles Green, manager: Moore and Moore, Hester Kenton.

Petersburg, Va.—Idle Hour Theater, Pat Northington, manager: Robinson and Randell, Daisy Collins.

Richmond, Va.—Dixie Theater, Walter J. Coulter, manager: Brown and DuMont, Susie Sutton. The Hippodrome Theater, Walter J. Coulter, manager, will open April 17, with four big acts, including the Griffin Sisters and others.

Norfolk, Va.—Globe Theater, J. VanBuskirk, manager: The Griffin Sisters, Peat and Hayes, William Johnson.

Newport News, Va.—S. H. Dudley Theater, Matt Lewis, manager: George Byrd, Princess Sotanka and two other acts.

Annapolis, Md.—Legum Cabaretta Show: Anita Gonzaley, Alice Owens.

Baltimore, Md.—Tom Smith's Cabaretta: Jeff DeMount and stock company.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Circle Theater, George Bundy, manager: Five big acts of vaudeville.

Louisville, Ky.—Ruby Theater, E. B. Dudley, manager: Opens about May 15.

NEW YORK NOTES.

(By the Owl.)

The Lincoln Theater.

A big bill all week at this house. Miss Jane Scott went nicely. The Vervalens got all that was coming to them. J. H. Meadows claims only to be a singer, a soloist, and he is, but he was shown by the Lincoln audience that he couldn't bring them too much class. Crockett and Williams, closed the bill and went big. The last half brought May Lovelidge, a very clever soubrette, and Crosby and Wilson. These two young men are coming to the front fast. Ralph Delany went good. Watts and Tyler closed the bill and went great. They are both very clever people.

Crescent Theater.

This house is holding its own nicely now. The first half was very good and the last half had Howard and Mason, Ethel Hall, singing comedienne; Gains and Brown, and the Anthony Three, a comedy sketch. This coming week opens with Hunter and Chappell's stock company.

Franklin Theater.

Ben Hutcherson, whom we might call Adonis, is a very good singer. Sweeney and Roberts went big and so did Daisy Collins, the soubrette. The old veteran of sixty-three quartets sang and danced well. In the last half, Harry Lorraine did quite a bit of singing and dancing. Jones and Jones are two very clever people, with an act that will go most anywhere. Isola Ringold was good and received hearty applause at each show. Vanner and Holliday quartet was well received. They have a nice high-class act and should never have to loose any time.

Family Theater.

Monday week's bill opened with Miss Maud Jones. This young lady is very clever and has the kind of an act that will please any audience, regardless who or what class. Miss Jones has played this house several times before, and always seemed to be a drawing card. Sadie Britton came next, then Daisy Fleming who did very well. Madam Dempsey's Damsels came and renewed their former success. Williams and Stevens, in their act entitled "The Chinaman and His Friend," was good. They drew large crowds throughout the engagement.

Pioneer Theater.

Anderson and Holmes opened this bill and went nicely. The Four Dancing Devils cleaned up for everything that wasn't clean. The Pelican Trio, three clever young ladies, stormed the bill. There were two other girls, who opened on Friday for the one day. Then came Mr. J. Towell and wife. Dellons and Hamilton closed the week's bill and they closed it—nuff said. This Monday will open with Dixon's Jolly Folks stock company in "Diana's Revenge." If this act is as good as the Four Dancing Devils, then Dixon has two good acts.

Lafayette Theater.

The stock company here presented by Will Marion Cook, Alex Rogers and H. S. Creamer has packed the house all week. "The Traitor" is the name of the two-act play. I find it very good and one would like to see more of it. Miss Abibg Mitchell sings as of old, her voice not having changed, and the remainder of the cast did well. The vaudeville part started off with Freddie and Venita, wire artists, and they were very clever. Love and Haight, female impersonators, have no voices for singing, but the small one is a clever toe dancer. Bob Dale, the one man musician, was great. William Brummer and Haygen Clifford and company, numbering five, were great. In the last half the Saydens company, Cole and Warner, a German team, did good work. Grace Harvard went big, as did also Cleary and Tracy.

Notes.

A few members of Dudley's Smart Set company dropped in the city today to spend Easter with friends.

Barney and Samoria left here last Monday for Philadelphia to open at the Auditorium.

The Sambo Girls are at the Victoria Theater, Philadelphia, commencing March 24.

It is with regret that we learn of the death of Brother Frank Clairmont, who passed away Friday night, March 21, at 10:15 o'clock, at his residence, 216 West 133d street.

Mrs. Lillie Stevens, wife of Mr. Stevens of the team of Williams and Stevens, arrived in the city a few days ago from San Francisco, Cal. Her trip was a fine one, as she made four stops, at St. Paul, Chicago, St. Louis and Washington.

The Muses left Sunday night for Christfield, Md., with several weeks to follow on the Stine and Leonard circuit. They send regards to all.

THE NEW CROWN GARDEN THEATER, TIM E. OWSLEY, MANAGER.

Regular vaudeville at the New Crown Garden Theater this week. The bill as a whole is good, the patrons appear well pleased; they attend in numbers sufficient to make the box office interesting, and they go away in good humor. "Pretty good sign, eh?"

Hicks, Hicks & Co., "Big Four Trio."

This team does some pleasing turns. The little skit on husband training is well done, Miss Hicks being especially good. She is best, however, in her dancing, for which she gets the hands. There's a snap to all her work that is winning.

James Hicks, the male member of the team, is seen to advantage as a comedian. He also gets the laughs in his work, and especially when he, by some "influence," refuses to be any longer a hen-pecked husband. The songs are put over in a pleasing way.

The company has been touring the South with success. After doing the West it will return to Philadelphia, where James Hicks has other interests. He was formerly general manager of the International Booking Agency, the first colored man to enter that business. He has had a varied theatrical career, playing various roles, straight, comedy, etc., reaching a performers' ambition, a manager of a theater.

Braxton was formerly a part of the team, who severed his connection some time ago. Hicks speaks of him as a clever performer. He would like to hear from him.

U. S. Thompson, "Slow Kid."

"Slow Kid" has become a favorite at the Crown Garden Theater. His line of talk is mostly new and therefore refreshing. He gets the applause for this work. He shines especially in his dancing, which is comic, eccentric. He can twist himself in all manner of ways, in the meanwhile he is right along with the music. Character dancing, his work can well be called. Perhaps it is called so. He does a bit of impersonation, striking off various characters, "shouting," "going home" and such like, which makes a hit with the audience. His song, "Fifteen Cents," by Chris Smith, wins, also his "Dragging Along."

Thompson was with Wallace and Hagenbeck's show last season. He had things his own way as a fun maker. He made 'em laugh wherever he went. Since his close with the circus people last season he has been working right along without a layoff on the Dudley circuit and elsewhere. This speaks very well for him, especially when so many performers find it difficult to make their dates run even. He thinks of rejoining the Wallace and Hagenbeck people when their season opens. He has the reputation of being reliable as well as interesting and funny, hence he is in demand.

Letepha Rogers, Spanish Dancing.

The Crown presents a delightful Spanish dancer this week, Letepha Rogers, formerly of Indianapolis. Some years ago she left the city, went as far as Mexico, where she remained quite a while. During her stay there she learned the language and the charming dances of that country. Her first number is a song, "In Santiago," accompanied by the bells in her hands and which she knows so well how to use. Her dainty, quaint costume, together with her pretty figure, also her pretty voice, makes for a very pleasing number. Her second and third numbers were graceful dances such as are known to the Spanish people.

While the body is in motion as a part of the dances, Miss Rogers demonstrated that the head is perfectly at rest. She does this by placing an ordinary lamp, with oil and lighted, on her head, during the intricate movemnets of body and feet.

It was noted, too, that the audience appreciated Miss Rogers' work, a very good sign of progress in the right direction. She is recently from California.

Lila Mitchell and picks do some pleasing turns. The boys do a funny bit of comedy—the wench act. They are good entertainers as a bunch.

WASHINGTON (D. C.) NOTES.

Miss Hester Kenton, in good songs, cleaned up at the Fairyland, featuring "I've got the Finest Man," with two others. Week of April 7th at Howard.... Tim and Hester Moore, a great team in songs and dancing. Mr. Moore featuring "Impossible."....Watch for Kearney's Fairyland Theater ads soon....Read the Freeman, or we both lose....Look for Allen and Morton pictures soon....See Gentry Chelsa Theater ad this week.... Joe Johnston cleaning in the east; some funny man....Greens Blue Mouse Theater ad coming soon.

THE AUDITORIUM THEATER, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

With so entertaining and lively a tabold comedy as "The Two Wearies Tinkering," with Criswell and Bailey in the title role, their own production, from their own pen, the Auditorium Theater set itself a high standard for its Easter week show—a standard to which each of the other acts rises. Annie Cook Pankey, late of the "Red Moon" company, needs no introduction, her repertoire was fine, her wardrobe elegant, and she appeared in all her pristine charm, and had that power to move the emotions and arouse the pleasure that idealizing sentiments of song create, and carry her audience with her, which was perceptible at every performance. Allen and Morton, in their sixth weeks' engagement, who mix mirth with song and entertain on the violin, kept the house in a merry mood. The Claude Winfray duo sang melodiously many of the popular songs and danced themselves into favor, which ilicited much applause. Bonnie and Semoura are amusing and try hard to live up to their billing, "A Curious Puzzle," which gives them a chance to display their versatility in Mexicano. New motion pictures filled out the program.

EASTERN THEATRICAL NOTES.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

The Brooklyn Serenaders are now complete with the following artists: Miss Eleanor Woodford, the young ballad singer and performer, who possesses one of the sweetest voices ever heard in vaudeville, will be a feature. Master George Davis, the phenomenal bo ytenor; Miss Rose Orr, the well known comedienne, and Billy E. Jones, the eccentric comedian. Miss Blanche Howell, late of the Black Patti Company, will join the Serenaders in a few weeks and she will be a valuable asset to the act. The Serenaders will play a few weeks during the summer and will open the season September 22. Billy E. Jones is manager.

Sonie Somers is writing a new song called, "In the Dear Old Springtime," and states that this song will be a hit.

John W. Cooper, the ventriloquist, scored a distinct hit last week at the Merrimac Square Theater, Lowell, Mass.

Miss Blanche Howell is improving gradually and we hope to see her enjoying the best of health.

Miss Eleanor Woodford will feature the songs, "Somehow I Can't Forget You" and "When I Lost You With the Brooklyn Serenaders." Miss Woodford is a Brooklynite.

Michaels & Michaels are scoring a big success through the West.

Allen and Morton are at the Auditorium Theater the week of March 24, and New York the 31st.

The Tolliver Trio, at New Circle Theater, Philadelphia, Pa.

Murphy & Francis are at Proctor's Theater, Newark, N. J., the week of March 24.

Miss Blanche Howell is improving and will soon be able to go out. She sends regards to Mrs. Harris and all friends in and out of the profession. She is at her residence, 123 West One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, New York City.

R. Cooper the comedian, is back in New York City, where he will get ready for the summer season and will feature his song hit, "Fifteen Cents."

NOTES OF NASHVILLE STUDENTS.

T. J. Cullegan's Nashville Students having tourned successfully through California, Oregon and Washington, are now booker over Fishers circuit vaudeville. We opened to a packed house in Seattle at the Grand theater. Harry Nay, that funny little comedian, is going big all the time. Thos. Thompson introducing "That's how I Need You." Mine and I wonder how the old folks are at home, are sweet ballads. Coy Herndon is still commanding his family of hoops to perform some clever tricks on the fire strings. Lawson Finas, Earl Washington, Hurl Nay, Frank Perkins, Eugene Feilds and all send thei best regards to all friends. So we are sailing along to success the Nashville Students. T. J. Cullegan, owner and manager, 5806 Grove St., Oakland, Cal.

S. A. DUDLEY'S ACTS GO BIG AT MONOGRAM.

Good Show at the Grand—"Burt" Williams at Big White Reception.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 25, Monogram Theater.

King William and his educated dogs opened the bill at the Monogram this week. This is an act from the Dudley circuit. It proved a howling success. Thompson did a monologue and a buck dance. Lee and Lee sang "Here Comes the Bride, "Lets Go to Savannah" and "College Rag." Pearl and Little Venus sang the ragtime melody, "Dangerous Rag" and "Want to Do It" and the "Barbers' Ball." The bill proved an excellent one, even though the weather was bad the first of the week.

Grand Theater.

Remarc and Rilay in "A Night of Mystery" was the opening act at the Grand the first of the week in an European pantomime novelty. Lawrence and Williams followed with a musical and talking act. Tom Linton and his Jingle Girls, seven in number, was one of the best numbers of the evening, the act being beautifully staged. Adair and Hickey, in a revolution in ragtime, was the cleverest act, receiving liberal applause. The bill closed with Kelso Brothers in a comedy of jugglers and dancers.

Notes.

Owing to the break of the Eastern and Western Burlesque wheels, W. H. Smith has been offered a franchise in the newly organized Progressive Amusement Company. This is the first time a colored burlesque show will be seen in burlesque houses since the days of Sam T. Jacks and Isham's Octerooms.

Rosamond Johnson and Charlie Hart have been engaged to appear in the American Review in London.

Johnson and Dean have re-united and sail March 22 for Europe, taking with them four people.

Sam Corker, now traveling with the Edgar Connor and the "Sambo Girls," were tended a banquet in Boston last week.

S. H. Dudley is now booking some acts at the Monogram. This week he has King Williams and his dogs. Other headliners will follow.

It is rumored that Hertig and Seamon will take out the Oyster Man next season, placing Julius Glen at the head of it.

Sims and Thompson are in Albany, N. Y., and are scorinb big. They sail soon for London.

Moving pictures of Tuskegee Institute, April 1, at Orchestra Hall. Folklore songs as sung and preserved at Tuskegee.

Johnnie Woods, the celebrated ventriloquist, is now being booked by W. H. Smith. This week, St. Louis; opens here April 7.

Green, Pugh and Thompson are at the Palace Theater. Marlow and Mabel to follow. Going big.

"Burt" Williams was at the banquet Monday night given in honor of Mr. Cohan of the Cohan & Harris company.

ROUTE.

S. H. DUDLEY IN "DR. BEANS FROM BOSTON"—Cambridge, Md., April 7-8; Dover, Del., 9; Salsbury, Md., 10; Chester, Pa., 11-12.

BLACK PATTI MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY—Louisville, Ky., April 6 to 12.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Branham, Rosetta	Lee, Walter
Beechum, Chas.	Lewis, John E.
Bostwick, Billy	Miller, Frank
Boyd, Clifton	McCloudy, Harry
Brown, Rastus	Miller, Robert
Barrister, Jack	Nash, Wm.
Brown, Clarence	Olden, Charlie
Bryant, Archie	O'Brien, J. C.
Butler, G. E.	Pickett, Dave
Clark, H. A.	Porter and Porter
Coffey, C. H.	Reed, Elwood
Dukes, F. H.	Rucker, Edward
Davis, Fred	Ross, Geo.
Eldridge, Willie	Reeves, Jesse
Freeman, Geo.	Saucy, Ollie
Ferris, Bismark	Smith, John
Fields, Henry	Sims, Sank
Gant, Perry	Stone, E.
Gibson, Leroy	Strains, Doc
Gilmore, Buddie	Stewart, R. H.
Graham, Frank	Sherman, Nathan
Greer, A. W.	Sutton, H. J.
Green & Marlowe	Smith, James
Gazan, Billy	The Pewees
Hamilton, Geo.	Wilson, J. R.
Hunt, Hi Henry	Williams, George H
Hill, W. C.	Watts, Billy
Hightower, Charley	Wheeler and Morgan's Co.
Jackson, Kilmer H.	Watts, Joe
Jones, Archie	Williams, Eph.
Kennedy, Sam W.	Wallburg, J.
Lee, Ed	

Ladies' List.

Bailey, Mrs. Ray	Payton, Hattie
Beechum, Blanche	Princess Rajah
Crawford, Virginia	Smith, Miss Bessie
Denton, Lula	Smith, Miss Estelle
Derbon, Mrs. T.	Styles, Doshie
Fredericks, Emma	Stewart, Miss Grace
Ennis, Mrs. W. R.	Townsend, Mary
Howard, Mrs. Nettie	Taylor, Nettie
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House, Carrie	
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LOUISVILLE, KY.

At The Buckingham, "Zallah's Own Company."

(By George Slaughter.)

In the race for success in the burlesque field this season the pace will be set by "Zallah's Own Company," which will be the attraction at the Buckingham theater, commencing with the matinee Sunday. This show, without a doubt, is the most meritorious and original that has ever been organized to tour the burlesque circuit.

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The Metropolitan Theatre

Memphis, Tennessee

Simms and Thompson stopped the show at the Colonial, Albany, N. Y.

The Brinkleys were at the Majestic Theater, Camden, N. J., week of the 2t4h. Hopkins and Wilmington, Del., followed.

The Whitmans & Picks, Mae and Essie, are working for the United Time doing fine. Howard Theater, Boston, Mass., next week.

At the Dunbar Theater, Columbus, O., week of March 17th, Profs. Jackson and Robinson, the Maxwell sisters and Edith Hearns, soubrette.

Emmett Anthony has been at the Crescent, Washington, D. C., for three weeks. He has five more weeks at the same house. He would like to hear from friends.

Harry Long, formerly of the team of Thornton & Long, now with Stetsons U. T. C. Co., would like to hear from friends with care the Freeman.

Leon, magician and ventriloquist, finished with his show the week of March 17th, going into vaudeville the week of March 24th. Address 621 Estelle St., Jacksonville, Fla.

The Grand Theater, at Birmingham, Ala., will be completed and ready to open by June 1. The Grand will be one of the best theaters of the South. It will be one of the best in the country.

The many friends of Mr. W. A. Dotson, late of A. G. Allen's New Orleans Minstrels, and the popular shoemaker of Ft. Worth, Tex., will be surprised to hear of his death. He died after an operation Monday, March 3d. He leaves a wife and son, and a host of friends to mourn his loss.

The great Clemo recovered from his operation. He is now in his sixth week on the Dudley Circuit. He says: "Many thanks to friends for their letter of sympathy while I was sick." This week Blue Mouse Theater, Washington, D. C. J. Johnson on this bill is some cemedian.

Last week, while playing at the Dixie Theater, Charlotte, N. C., Mr. Billy Amte's home, his wife Mrs. Grace Amte received a wire from her sister at her home, Brunswick, Ga., to come at once. Your mother died March 17. Mrs. Gracie Amtes left for home at once. Mrs. Amtes will remain home a few days. After the funeral is over they will open in Atlanta April 7, over Joel time.

Jines and Hills have a little talk as managers. Here it is: We must say after you have worked for S. D. Joel, of Atlanta, Ga., and C. H. Turpin, of St. Louis, Mo., you can rest assured you have met the two "kings." It is not a question of what you want, it is how much do you need. Now if some bad performers don't come along and make him or herself a bad fellow with these two gentlemen, it will be good for the best of us, and we must not leave out the wizard, Tim E. Owsley, one of the best managers in the business, and he will do right by any act; he is a good fellow and he is my friend.

Dixieland Theater, Charleston, S. C.

Smith and Smith are still doing fine, they are in Chaleston, S. C. Lehman is keeping the house in an uproad with his monologue. Hallie is there with her buck dance.

NEW YORK CITY.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown of the team of Brows and Hodges, Mr. Billie McClain, Mrs. Z. Merriman, Mrs. John Farr and Mrs. Elwood C. Knox, wife of Mr. Knox of the Indianapolis Freeman, were guests at the C. U. B. A. Tuesday. Mr. Burt Murphy of Francis and Murphy joined the party. The evening was pleasantly spent. Mr. Bob Slater and Mr. Leon Williams, president of the C. U. B. A., assisted in entertaining the guests.
Feb. 11, 1913.

AT THE STAR, DALLAS, TEXAS.

The children were all pleased with the afternoon matinees, and the choice music which has been the talk of the metropolis. Manager Rube Williams is ever on the alert to please his patrons, and at night the stock company is pleasing hundreds of patrons from all parts of the city in button busting comedy, and up-to-the-minute siging, dancing, and specialties with feature dramas that hold them spellbound nightly.

THE BAILEY AIRDOME THEATER, PARIS, TEXAS.

The Bailey Airdome Theater is now being overhauled for the forthcoming vaudeville season. The front and entrances are pieces of artistic work done by the Rodgers Brothers, who are prominent colored carpenters of this city. Permit us to state that the piece of carpentry work referred to is imposingly attractive, a thing to be admired and, will serve to add much to the chief amusements of Paris people for a long time. Paris lovers of amusements (and that means a large percentage of the six thousand colored people living here) are watching with intense interest for Manager Bailey's announcement for the grand annual opening. This place for amusement has a seating capacity for two thousand and will be open for vaudeville engagements after April first.

DUDLEY WILL NOT CLOSE BEFORE END OF SEASON—EVERYBODY'S HAPPY.

S. H. Dudley will not close with the Smart Set, as was published in the issue of this paper on March 15th, but will finish the season on account of the Chas. E. Parton contract with the theaters. They are booked for the remainder of the season. Mr. Dudley is to appear and if he failed the company would not be able to play. So without a Dudley there could be no Smart Set this season, but by Mr. Dudley retiring I suppose the same managers that refuse to play the attraction without him, will be glad to get the Smart Set with whoever its star may be, for it will be the only recognized colored company. Manager Barton went to Washington, D. C., to adjust matters with Mr. Dudley to finish the season. They both came out of Mr. Dudley's room smiling. I can not say at this writing just how long the season will last, but Mr. Dudley says he is going to stick to the finish, not so much for the management, but for the people, as it would stop forty or more people from drawing a salary, if the comedian should close. Mr. Dudley was very nice about it and decided to stick to benefit his company. We should have more Dudley's. Who will or can take his place?

NOTES FROM THE DANDY DIXIE MINSTRELS, OPP, ALA.

(By Charles English.)

We are now in the State of Alabama and everything is drifting smoothly. The show is received in each town with great enthusiasm, as its tone "Thy fame has't preceded Thee," is why we are so cordially welcome and receive such wild applause at every performance....Frank Perryman is making a hit with his musical act, and he will appear in vaudeville next season. He plays trombone, saxaphone, zelephone and bells....Irwin Brown, violinist and trombine, and his wife lately joined us and (Chappie) Robert Denison, comedian; Shelby McWilliams, cornetist, Boutus and Henrietta McWilliams, of Indianapolis, are still with us getting theirs. The band and orchestra under Prof. Simmons is still doing fine. Chas. English is still hitting them hard with Beans, Beans, Beans, and next will sing Back to Memphis, Tenn. The company sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession. Jeff Webb-Airship, stage manager.

THE AUDITORIUM THEATER, PHILADELPHIA.

"The Leading Lady Cook," presented at the Auditorium Theater this week, is one of those rarebits seldom seen in vaudeville when they cater to popular prices. Criswell and Bailey, the portrayers, were at their best. It affords a big laugh and the singing of Olivia in "All Aboard for Alabama," brought down the house. The lines are breezy and witty and the stage setting good. Easton and Easton have a singing and dancing turn that is refined and enjoyable, and both can dance and sing with good effect. Tim and Hester Moore, wh work hard, do a clever singing and dancing number that has plenty of ginger in it. Charlie (Chicken) Jones sings and tells funny stories and he tells them with fine humor. Hester Kenton made a remarkably pretty picture upon her appearance, she is captivating and entertaining, and has a clever voice. Every performance is crowded and the acters make good with the audience, who appreciate a good show and always come back again.

STAR THEATER, DALLAS, TEX.

Clever Billy Young and a few friends made a flying visit Sunday to Ennes, Tex., to visit Mr. Hamp Williams and sons, who have erected a new airdome and offered Billy the sole management. In looking over the ground and sizing up the situation I can see a fine outlook for good business. It will be the only colored amusement resort for colored people in the town, which has 12,0000 people. The weather is too variable and not permitable at present to open the place full fledged until about the latter part of April. By that time I will have finished my engagement here at the Star. We were entertained highly by Mr. Williams, wife and sons. Among those present at a good, old-fashioned dinner were Henry Dixon (Star Theater, Dallas), Harry Fields (Star Theater, Dallas), Hunter Phenix, Dollas, Harry Brock, Eddie Carson, Norris Grisby, Miss Arretta Jackson, Harry Dans, Allen Weslef, Mr. asd Mr. Upton Williams. The press and public have given me credit for many years for being a good performer. But how I shall come up to their expectations as a manager time will tell. Watch the weather vane.

—By CLEVER BILLY YOUNG.

THE PASSING SHOW IN WASHINGTON

The Griffin Sisters Under S. H. Dudley's Management.
(By Ar-w-tee.)

(Washington, D. C., Special.)

The famous Griffin Sisters (Emma and Mabel), who are conceded a foremost place in the galaxy of "sister teams" on the vaudeville stage, are here this week, and are carrying their immense audiences by storm nightly at S. H. Dudley's U street playhouse. The demand for them has been so insistent and so many have been unable to get into the theater to see them that the management has held them over for another week. They are presenting a new and varied repertoire, singing new and catchy songs, responding to calls for old favorites, and are showing some stunning new gowns, causing the society ladies to "sit up and take notice." They invariably make a complete change in their evening gowns at each of their three appearances, something unusual, even among our most fashionable feminine stars. The Griffin Sisters are artists, every inch of them, and are intensely devoted to their profession, putting in every possible moment studying out new ideas that are likely to please their army of admirers all over the country, and afford a new avenue for the exercise of their versatile accomplishments.

During the two weeks they are here they have been royally entertained by the representative society people of the nation's capital, and have been the guests of honor at a number of very elaborate functions, together with automobile jaunts to points of historic interest in the vicinity.

Both of the ladies are charming conversationalists, and their advanced views on stage life and matters of general interest are alike profitable and entertaining.

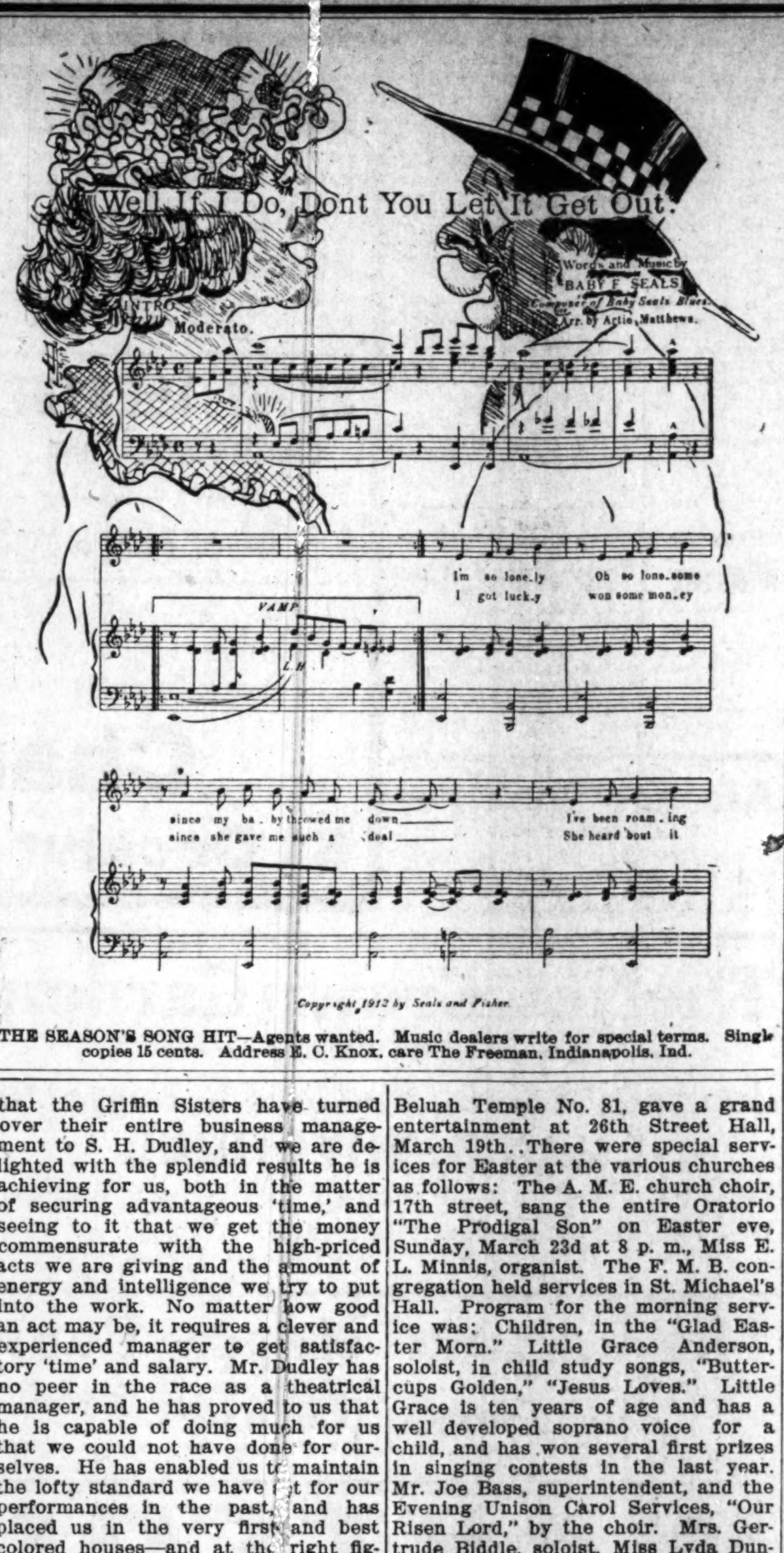
Referring to their plans for the present and future, Miss Emma Griffin said to a Freeman representative:

"Yes, you are at liberty to announce that the Griffin Sisters have turned over their entire business management to S. H. Dudley, and we are delighted with the splendid results he is achieving for us, both in the matter of securing advantageous 'time,' and seeing to it that we get the money commensurate with the high-priced acts we are giving and the amount of energy and intelligence we try to put into the work. No matter how good an act may be, it requires a clever and experienced manager to get satisfactory 'time' and salary. Mr. Dudley has no peer in the race as a theatrical manager, and he has proved to us that he is capable of doing much for us that we could not have done for ourselves. He has enabled us to maintain the lofty standard we have set for our performances in the past, and has placed us in the very first and best colored houses—and at the right figure. We are now booked up solid until May 24 at some very flattering salaries. Mr. Dudley says he may send us to Europe in the summer, which, by the way, gives me a chance to tell you that we are having made in New York some of the most stunning gowns ever shown on a vaudeville stage. Of course, you will always pardon a woman for wanting pretty clothes.

"I wish to say to our bretheren and sisters of the profession," continued Miss Griffin, "that they will find it to their advantage in every way to have a manager, especially one of the sturdy and reliable caliber of Mr. Dudley. It seems to me to be our bounden duty to give him the first call upon our services, as he is the first and only one of our race and profession to undertake such a mammoth and expensive proposition as to organize and finance a colored theatrical circuit, guaranteeing competent colored acts the protection and steady employment that such a circuit renders possible. It is nothing more than right for us to fall in behind Mr. Dudley and give him all the encouragement and help that we can.

"We do not wish to emphasize the color line in the profession, but it must be admitted that we shall thrive best and be able to be more independent if we have among us a colored manager who can offer us adequate salaries and good dates, rather than be at the mercy of white speculators, who will often take advantage of the helplessness of the colored performer and refuse to give either the opportunity or the money to which he or she is justly entitled. There is nothing to brag about in being on 'white time' unless there is a square deal for all concerned. Those of us who have fought our way by hard work into the front rank and gained some influence owe it to men like Mr. Dudley to exert it in their behalf. In proportion as the colored performers strengthen the hands of colord managers, they will strengthen themselves and make their place in the profession more secure. We heartily commend Mr. Dudley for his courage and race loyalty, and we urge others to come in under his protecting wing."

"Sister and I are very fond of Washington and its cultured people. It is a pleasure to play here, where we have found so many friends and who offer us so much encouragement. We wish we could make this beautiful city our home. Washington is destined to become the theatrical center of the country, as far as the colored artists are concerned. Here you have the Howard Theater, the finest house in the land for colored people. It is superior, in many features, to the white houses that cater to the best white people. It is an inspiration just to look at the Howard. The smaller houses here are much better equipped than is true of most of the other cities. And, more than that, the theaters that ask for colored patronage in Washington are actually controlled by managers of our own race. To make a long story short, you may say for the Griffin Sisters that we shall, in the future as in the past, stick to our colored managers and try to build them up. Race pride is one of the primary essentials in the permanent uplift of the negro in the theatrical arena.



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A. M. E. Church Choir Will Sing "The Prodigal Son."

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Lucy Smith, of Poplar Bluff, Mo., was the guest of Mrs. Sadie Evans of 424 11th street Saturday and Sunday....The Egyptian Literary Society of the First Free Baptist church, met Monday night, March 17, 1913, at this church on 33d street, and had two very interesting debates. The first subject "Was it Ordained by God for Judas to Betray Christ?" Affirmative: Messrs. Thomas Parm and Robert Moore. Negative: Mrs. Lula Washington and Thomas Mack. Second subject, "Which is the Most Useful, Money or Education?" Affirmatives: Mrs. C. C. Henderson and Hattie Ballad. Negative: Mrs. Mamie Moore, Rev. Jerry Johnson....Vale of Beluah Temple No. 81, gave a grand entertainment at 26th Street Hall, March 19th...There were special services for Easter at the various churches as follows: The A. M. E. church choir, 17th street, sang the entire oratorio "The Prodigal Son" on Easter eve, Sunday, March 23d at 8 p. m., Miss E. L. Minnis, organist. The F. M. B. congregation held services in St. Michael's Hall. Program for the morning service was: Children, in the "Glad Easter Morn." Little Grace Anderson, soloist, in child study songs, "Buttercups Golden," "Jesus Loves." Little Grace is ten years of age and has a well developed soprano voice for a child, and has won several first prizes in singing contests in the last year. Mr. Joe Bass, superintendent, and the Evening Unison Carol Services, "Our Risen Lord," by the choir. Mrs. Gertrude Biddle, soloist, Miss Lyda Duncan, organist. The First Free Will Baptist Sunday School of 33d street rendered at 1 o'clock p. m. their Easter service. "The First Easter Story," Rev. Henderson, pastor, Mr. J. H. Tucker, superintenden.....Mrs. Mary Edwards, of 225 34th street, is on the sick list this week....Mrs. Fannie Fleutcher, of 442 11th street, has been suffering with la grippe....Mr. J. H. Tucker, of 331 27th street, is able to be out again after an illness of three of four weeks..Mrs. Pausetta Duncan, of 409 18th street, has an attack of rhepmatism....Mr. Plumer Willis, of 613 15th street, is able to be in his tailor shop again after an illness of several days....Mrs. W. H. Fields, president of the Woman's Yates Club of Cairo, addressed the Woman's Club in Carbondale, Ill., known as the mother club, a few days ago....Little George Syder, of 24th street, is on the sick list...The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Hibbs and presented them with a fine baby girl....Mr. and Mrs. James Banks are the happy parents of a twelve-pound baby girl. Mother and baby are doing well....A mass meeting was called at Ward Chapel A. M. E. church as a protest against the infamous Jim Crow law, now being attempted to be passed by the Illinois assembly. Resolutions were passed condemning the bill. Short talks were made by Rev. P. A. McFarland, Rev. James A. Jones, Rev. W. H. Baggie, Dr. W. H. Fields and others. Hon. C. C. Wilson was selected as delegate to Springfield to present the resolutions and to use his influence to try to defeat the bill. A large and enthusiastic crowd was present. The colored people seem to be thoroughly aroused over the attempted abridgement of their lives.

DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON'S WESTERN ITINERARY

FARGO, N. D., March 3.—Booker T. Washington arrived in this city last night. He was met at the depot by a committee of white citizens. He went immediately to the opera house, where he addressed a large audience, more than 2,000 being turned away for lack of room. Following the meeting at the opera house he spoke to an overflow meeting at the Presbyterian church, where many hundreds were turned away. Following this meeting he was entertained at a reception at the Civic Center by leading people of Fargo. He went from here to Bismarck, where he was invited to speak before the Legislature.

BILLINGS, Mont., March 4.—The Chamber of Commerce of this city entertained Dr. Booker T. Washington at luncheon at the Elks Club, before which body he made a short address. During his visit to this city every possible courtesy was shown him. He is en route to the Pacific coast.

BUTTE, Mont., March 6.—Booker T. Washington, the well-known educator, was the guest of this city today. He addressed a large meeting which was presided over by Governor Allen. After the meeting he was entertained at a banquet by the colored citizens.

There are many negro ranch owners in this section, and many who hold valuable mining claims. Several of these persons were present at the meeting. One of the finest hair dressing establishments in this city is owned and operated by a colored woman, Mrs. Birthwright, who came here many years ago.

HELENA, Mont., March 7.—Booker T. Washington spent the day and evening in this city en route to the Pacific coast, where he is under engagement to deliver a series of addresses, mostly in Washington and Oregon. His audience in this city was large and enthusiastic. Governor Stewart presided and introduced him. The audience was composed of the best white and colored people in this section.

After the meeting a banquet was tendered Mr. Washington by the colored citizens in one of the finest halls in the city.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 11.—Booker T. Washington arrived in this city on March 9. In the morning he spoke at the Unitarian Church. In the afternoon he spoke at the Y. M. C. A., also at the Presbyterian Church. He was the guest of Dr. W. C. Morris, of the Spokesman Review, at tea. In the evening he spoke at the First Methodist Church and also at the A. M. E. Church.

On March 10 Dr. Washington spoke in the morning at Lewis and Clark High School and at the North Central High School. In the evening he spoke at Moscow, Idaho.

On March 11 he was the guest of the Chamber of Commerce at luncheon. In the afternoon he spoke before the Women's Federated Clubs in the Chamber of Commerce Building; dined with the Young Men's Christian Association, and later in the evening was tendered a banquet by the colored citizens. This is the first time that a colored man has been permitted to speak in the Chamber of Commerce and to the Women's Clubs.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

Dr. Wm. T. Vernon in Town—News of the Churches.

(By Wm. Brooks.)

Special to The Freeman:

Sunday services were made exceedingly interesting at the various churches, and the devines preached grand sermons for the Easter tide, with much force and eloquence and to the pleasure of the audiences which attended, and they listen with eagerness. The choir with melody sang some sfeet music to the delight of the hearers. The Sunday schools all reported as being in an excellent condition with an army of little folks in attendance....The Monumental Baptist church, Rev. M. W. Moore, pastor, Ladies Central Club, which has for its object the beautifying and improving the spiritual side and financial condition and betterment of the above named church, is doing some telling church work as such. They meet from house to house holding their meetings, and each lady, as the hostess, entertains the club with a grand reception, which are served in the courses, and they partake so freely. January 13th, collection:, $19.55; February, $23.65; total amount, $43.20. Mr. H. Q. Ware, president; Jas. Darby, vice-president; Miss Lu Ella Davis, recording secretary; Mrs. Jannie Bankton, treasurer....Sunday, 3:15 p. m., the Y. M. C. A. had its usual big meeting at Joel theater. Music good. Feature of the meeting, the lecturer, Hon. G. W. Murray, ex-congressman S. C., orator. Subject, "Life's Handicaps," was treated masterly in its presentation, and every place was crowded....Hon. Wm. T. Vernon, D. D., A. M., President Campbell, A. M. E. College, Jackson, Miss., and one of the Africo-American foremost speaker of matchless ability, under the auspices of the pastor and members of the Warren A. M. E. Church, appeared at the Auditorium March 12, 1913, at 7:30 p. m. Amid and despite the downpour of rain for about an hour, the people, with the spirit of eagerness, came and listened with the satisfaction of minds as the subject was made vividly clear to all present. The lecturer is a man of extraordinary ability as a platform speaker, a great entertainer intellectually. The lecture was made intensely interesting in a dramatical way, as he, with great force and eloquence thrillingly captured the hearers, holding them spellbound to the close. He was able and did carry the audience high on the plains of Ancient history and made grand the application of it for today's doing. He is a wonderful gift as an intelligent man, for the intellectual world, and is inspirational to the youth of today in his presentation as a source of information and as an educator; so distinctively on orator of the Negro race and a charmer, a fluent speaker. He was showered with greetings and a most cordial invitation to come back as a welcome guest to be here. Applauses lasted ten minutes. The music of the choir was superbly rendered by them and it enlivened this special occasion. Subject, "The New Birth Discussed."....The New Salem Baptist Church, Rev. B. P. Broughton, D. D., pastor, had a grand baptising Sunday at the hiver. About twenty persons, all dressed in white robes, women included. An unusual big crowd witnessed the occasion which was marked with decorum.

LANGSTON UNIVERSITY, LANGSTON, OKLA.

(By Bowles)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The noted reader, Mr. Harrison, was here last week and recited in the auditorium of the university. He was very much delighted and also surprised. He said that he was not looking to find a school as large and as well equipped as he did. Everybody is very busy this week as the second term's examinations are in progress. The Athletic Association has elected officers and expects to have the boys ready for the season in a short time. Would be glad to get games with any nearby colleges. President Page is very busy attending to the business of the school. We are hoping to get a nice sum appropriated by the Legislature, nearly $100,000, to run the school for the next two years.

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AMONG THE SPORTERS.

Sam Langford Wins.

BRISBANE, Australia—Sam Langford, the Boston heavyweight pugilist, defeated Jim Barry, of Chicago, in the first round March 16. This is the second time Barry has been beaten by Langford. In their first fight at Melbourne in May, 1912, they went eleven rounds.

Harry Lewis Knocked Out Jack Harrison.

LONDON—Harry Lewis, the American welterweight, knocked out Jack Harrison, middleweight champion of England, in the third round of a twenty-round contest. The fight took place at the National Sporting Club.

Harry Lewis last February obtained an award of $3,750 daamges in a suit against a motor car company on account of injuries he had sustained in a taxicab accident, which, his counsel argued, had impaired his nerve, vitality and his ability to fight.

Sopped the Bout.

SAPULPA, Okla.—Adjutant-General Canton and a squad of national guardsmen from Tulsa, acting under orders from oGvernor Cruce, stopped the scheduled ten-round fight between Carl Morris and JJim Stewart, of New York. No information etaoinshrsche York. No intimation was given that the bout would not be permitted until almost time for the first gong.

The Two Sams Still in Sydney.

Report comes from Sydney, Australia, that the two Sams, McVey and Langford, are still there. Langford is an idol. McVey is also very well liked.

The Badger A. C. Bouts.

In the fights at the Badger A. C. last Friday night Battling Fred and Kid Campbell fought four rounds to a draw; Kid Fields was fifteen pounds overweight and Young George Dixon of Chicago refused to fight; K. O. Brown stopped Kid Black in the third round; Jack Bowman and Young Dixon founght six rounds, Bowman having the better of it.

Glen Coakley Gets Decision Over Howard Wiggam.

FT. WAYNE, Ind.—After seven rounds of a gruelling battle, Glen Coakle, of this city, was given the decision over Howard Wiggam, of Indianapolis, on a foul, near this city. Wiggam was almost out in the third round, but came back strong in the fourth and held his own until he fouled the local boy in the seventh. It was a hard fought battle from start to finish. Coakley showed marks of Wiggam's punches after the contest. Coakley meets Tony Caponi here on March 25. A big crowd witnessed the bouts. All preliminaries went the limit.

Brought in the Pork Chops.

CINCINNATI—Kid Ash brought home the pork chops in his fight with Fitz Rudey, of Indianapolis. The Cincinnati colored boy was as quick as a cat, and after the third round had things all his own way. Rudey did not perform as well as he did in his previous bout with the kid at Elmwood and fought like a fighter who had lost heart.

Another Foreigner Coming.

LONDON—Herbert Synnot, the Irish-Australian heavyweight, who fought a fifteen-round draw with Joe Jeannette and was later defeated by Sam McVey, has sailed for America to seek a bout with Gunboat Smith, the Californian, who knocked out the English champion, Wells, in New York last week.

Coming After Lightweight Title.

LIVERPOOL, England — Freddie Welsh, champion lightweight boxer of England, sailed for New York on the Mauretania. He expects to arrange a match with Willie Ritchie, of San Francisco.

Joe Jeannette Toys With Hie Man.

NEW YORK—Joe Jeannette, Hoboken's negro heavyweight, figured in anothes of his periodical workouts the other night before the Queensboro Athletic Club of Long Island City. The opponent selected for Jeannette was one Jack Reed, of Toledo, who was sain to have made quite a record in the South, including a victory over Nat Dewey. It was the same old story for Jeannette. For two rounds he toyed with the Toledo negro so that the crowd might get a run for its money, and in the third he drove a terrific right to Reed's jaw and the latter went down and out.

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GUNBOAT SMITH READY FOR LUTHER McCARTY

Beat English Champ in Round and a Half.

NEW YORK.—Beaming with confidence and joy over his round-and-a-half knockout of Bombardier Wells in Madison Square garden, Gunboat Smith declared he was ready for Luther McCarty. The former navy champion, whose three wallops to the Britisher's jaw setn the pride of Albion so deeply into dreamland that he did not awaken for ten minutes, said he knew from the first he would have an easy time.

"I will go after McCarty now," he said, "for I think I have shown my right to the first chance at him."

"What happened to me?" were the first words of Bombardied when he was revived in his dressing room.

Smith, the gentleman with the terrific wallop, is looked upon toda as the real white hope, and fight fans here are urging him and McCarty, the white heavyweight champion, who has been ardoitly dodging fights since he won from Al Palzer in the elimination tournament.

BACK TO DEAR OLD LONDON.

Bombardier Wells Finds Pace Too Strenuous in New York.

NEW YORK.—Bombardier Wells, the well known English ring expert, whose meeting with Gunboat Smith on Friday night resulted so unfortunately for the visitor, sailed for home on the North German Lloyd lines Kaiserr Wilhelm II. He was accompanied by Mrs. Wells.

Shortly after Friday night's affair Mr. Wells said he had decided to return home.

"I have found America a very noisy place," said he, "and while the atmosphere of New York is quite exhilerating for a time, it is not a place which lends itself to rest and recuperation. A sea voyage is always restful, I have found, and that is the reason I am sailing on the Kaiser. Three weeks in the nerve tension of New York is about all one can stand. I long for the rest and quiet of dear old London."

THE AMERICAN GIANTS IN THE WEST SCORING SUCCESS AS USUAL.

Special to The Freeman.

The American Giants leaves or left for Los Angeles, Cal., March 21, playing at Lemoore, Cal., March 22, 23, Hanford 24, Santa Rosa 25, Fresno 26, Oakland 27, 28, San Francisco 29, 30, Sacramento 31, Stockton April 1, Grant Pass, Ore., April 2, Medford April 3, jumping to Seattle, where they play through the Northwestern League, opening with Seattle champions of the Northwestern League April 4, 5, 6, Vancouver, B. C., 7, 8, Victoria 9, Tacoma 10, 11, Portland, Ore., 12, 13, Spokane 14, Missoula 15, Butte, Mont., 16, Denver, Co., 17, 18, St. Louis, Mo., 20, 21 22, arriving in Chicago April 23, completing the longest and first trip of any ball club to ever invade the far northwest. The American Giants captured the pennant in California Winter League composed of ball players of National and American Leagues and Class A. A. players, have played 60 games, losing 10. Their great playing and gentlemanly conduct have made them many friends.

CLEVER BOXERS MISS APPLAUSE.

Glove Science Not Popular With All Ringsiders.

NEW YORK.—Whether improvement in the art of science of boxing is keeping pace with that in other lines of sport is a question often discussed where boxing enthusiasts gather. Many old time followers of ring events maintain that instead of improving it is deteriorating. To prove that this is so they call attention to the fact that there are no fighters at present to compare with Corbett, Fitzsimmons, Ryan, Gans, McGovern, Dixon and many ohers of like caliber who held forh a generation or so ago.

Most of the criticism directed at present-day boxers is to the effect that very few appreciate the value of a little judicious feinting before a lead and that footwork is rapidly becoming a lost art. Observation of the methods employed by the boxers at local clubs any evening will bear out much of this opinion. Nor is the reason far to seek why it should be so.

Provided there is plenty of action shown, a large and noisy portion of the spectators are well satisfied with the character of the entertainment afforded. In fact a certain percentage resent bitterly any attempt upon the part of the performers in the preliminary bouts to make use of feinting, ducking or sidestepping. Such maneuvers are permitted the boxers in the main event, but any attempt to be "clever" on the part of a preliminary youngster at once calls forth many yells of disapproval. Yet it is from the ranks of these youngsters that the champions of the future are to come and those of the present have come.

No wonder the novice boxer, no matter how ambitious, soon ceases trying to learn the scientific principles of the game when he is made to feel that he has disgraced himself if he takes a backward step in pulling away from a swing or avoiding a rush. All of which indicates that the fightgoing public neds educating as much as the boxers. The latter are only trying to supply what seems to be demanded.

Of course, there is a good portion of every ringside gathering who favor science rather than crude slugging. But these persons seldom belong to the type who voice their opinions at the top of their lungs. Consequently the noisy gallerite who yells "Take him off!" when there is no provocation more or less directs the situation, although his views are not those of the real fan who pays for a high priced seat but remains silent.

Undobutedly the amount of adverse criticism directed at Abe Attell, Johnny Kilbane, Mike Gibbons and others of their ilk for stalling has had much to do with influencing sentiment against clever boxing. These men are recognized to be the leading exponents of the manly art. Criticising them appears to the unthinking to be the same as objecting to skill taking the place of brute strength. But as a matter of fact, although it is nearly always the clever boxer who is disposed to cheat by unduly conserving his energy, that is no reason why scientific boxing should be considered synonymous with stalling. Yet it is plain that there is a certain element that makes no distinction.

BOMBARDIER WELLS' EXIT.

American Heavies Too "Hot" for Him—That Proposed Fight With Jack Johnson.

(By Billy Lewis.)

The Britishers were wise, indeed when they vetoed the go that was scheduled between Bombardier Wells and Jack Johnson nearly two years ago. Very much was said about the evil of the fighting business at that time. Perhaps in the history of the fighting business not so much has been said as was said when Johnson "invaded" England. The pulpits fulminated, public men uttered pronunciamentoes, all to the end that the business was bad, very bad. It was said that if the fight was permitted that it would mean that the country stood for brutality, it would mean the encouragement of the gross, when it should be the duty to promote whatever tendency toward refinement, etc.

The discussion waxed so warm that ere long the whole island was more or less concerned about the proposed fight. The moral side won with hands down, and one will think that because it was also expedient that they should win.

Jack's fame had preceded him. His brisk movements since he had landed on the island were advertised and noted. He came coronation week with all the pomp and splendor of a potentate from Bombay. He had an automobile smash-up as soon as he struck the streets, and he sprinkled silver over the curious throng as a healing balm. He had other ways that were considered rather taking, even if a bit aggressive. The Britishers fell for him. They liked him all right, but as they valued whatever little pugilistic reputation they possessed they thought it best to cut out the scrap.

The English people grew political, philosophical and religious over the proposed fight. It was argued that the British possessions in Africa were largely of negroes, black people, and that owing to the fact it would be bad policy to be pitting black men against white men, especially where there was such an excellent chance for a danagerous outcome. As things go in such countries one can see the wisdom of the philosophy, viewing it from England's side. In a sense the negroes of South Africa are ruled as subjugated people. This is a reasonable state of affairs since the number of civilized blacks is being daily increased by recruits from the savage hordes that swarm to the country's interior by millions. This subjugation as is well known, is somewhat of the master and slave phase, as harsh and severe sounding as it is. In America somewhat of the old relation lingers, just enough to tinge, to color everything. The races in America are not en rapport. So when Jack Johnson wins over a white man the thing doesn't go down so well. We have no savage hordes to pollute or "dilute" our civilization, compelling the unusual in enlightened governments, putting the distance between the races as "infinity." The English people can not afford yet awhile to see the positions of master and slave reversed.

The publicists and other, more or less concerned, did not fail to work the theory of maintaining the "right" relations with the black subjects; the pulpits and moral forces were of one accord; public sentiment followed, and to the end that there be no fight. There was yet a small class, and very effective, who insisted that Wells was no match for Johnson and as a mere matter of saving flesh and bones they stoutly maintained that thing ought not to be. Never was there such harmony before on any question confronting the British public.

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All England was right. Bombardier was spared a good beating. This has been conclusively proven by his subsequent activities. He put in his time after Jack departed the island, doing training stunts most assiduously. He was in a very enviable position, being already the champion heavyweight fighter of England. All he had to do was to run across the Atlantic and tell it to the heavyweights in America that he was looking for a scrap. Men and gold were at his bidding.

A few days ago he engaged "Gunboat" Smith. Bombardier was in fine form, according to the ringside spectators and sport experts, weighing 192 pounds to Smith's 182. The fight took place in New York. Only two rounds and it was all off with the foreigner. The two rounds, reported elsewhere, is as follows:

"The pair lost no time in getting together when the gong sounded. Wells, always on the alert, awaiting an opening, shot his left straight at Smith's nose. After a clinch Wells repeated the blow, and Gunboat made a wild right swing which went wide of the mark. The Britisher stabbed and jabbed the Californian, devoting all his attention to the face. Smith rushed into a left swing that suddenly halted him, the blow landing on the cheek. As the pair came together Smith again essayed to reach the Britisher with a swing, but the latter easily avoided the blow, and scored left and right to the face. None of the blows did any damage, although a thin stream of blood was trickling from Smith's nose. Wells found a resting place on Gunboat's face for two stiff lefts in quick succession, when Smith scored his first blow of the contest. It was a straight left to the face, but lacked any real force. Wells continued his left jabs, when Smith for the third time swung viciously but wildly. The force of the blow carried him off his feet and he slipped down. He was up at once, and was met with a left hook on the head. Just before the bell Wells worked his left to the face without a return. Wells easily outpointed Smith.

The British boxer was out of his corner as soon as the signal was sounded and was halfway across the ring as the Californian started. The pair came to a clinch, and Smith then made another attempt to land a right swing. It went wild, but he followed it with another that reached the mark. It struck Wells with a thud and the Englishman went down under its force. It landed squarely on the jaw. Nine seconds were counted before Wells attempted to resume boxing. He was weak and all his speed had disappeared. He stood off and boxed his man in order to recover, but Smith tore in, and with no attempt at science tried to batter down the clever Englishman's guard. The latter's resistance was waning fast under the roughing tactics of his opponent. A hard right smash over the left eye sent Wells to the floor again, where he remained for another nine seconds.

All the fight had been taken out of him and the end was already in sight. Smith once more rushed with a right swing, which found a landing place on the point of the Britisher's chin. The blow was delivered with telling force, and Wells was unconscious before he reached the canvas. It was a clean knockout and Smith did not wait until the ten seconds were counted, but jumped over the ropes and hurried to his dressing room. Wells was carried to his corner, where he sunk limp and inert to his chair. It was several minutes before he could be revived and his seconds supported him as he left the scene of his defeat.

TO THE AMERICAN GIANTS.

Paper read by the president of teh Good Fellows' Club at a banquet tendered the American Giants Baseball Club of Chicago, Ill., at Los Angeles, Cal.

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Our one wish is that they could stay withus always and represent the Fair City of the Angels.

This smoker which is given by the Good Fellows is probably only as a drop of water is to the Pacific Ocean when compared with the way these Champions have been dined and wined by others. But no person or persons wish the Giants any more good luck or happiness than the Good Fellows Club, and our standing toast will always be to "The American Giants."

ENGLISH CHAMP DIDN'T KNOW WHAT HIT HIM HE SAYS—"GUNBOAT" SMITH TOO MUCH FOR BOMBARDIER.

NEW YORK.—Thrust back into the second-class division by his easy defeat at the hands of "Gunboat" Smith, the hard hitting western heavy, and still wondering how it was that he lost the fight in the second round, Bombardier Wells, champion heavyweight of Great Britain, paid tribute to the conqueror.

"I didn't know what hit me," said he. "Hereafter I will throw science to the winds and wide right in."

This statement explains in itself the reason for the easy victory of Smith. That rogged fighter, acting on the advice of his seconds, brushed aside the clever defense of his opponent, and advancing close to the Englishman, he dropped him three times with straight rights to the body. Wells was weakened by the first blow, he tottered at the second and the third sent him into dreamland. It was a sad climax to a brave effort which the Briton was making toward a match with Luther McCarty.

There was little choice between the men when they entered the ring. Both seemed in the pink of condition. In the first round the Englishman clearly showed that he was master of his opponent in the science of the game. He ducked, feinted and jabbed with the cleverness of Jim Corbett. Smith was nonplussed by his shifty opponnent.

In the second round a different story was told. "Gunboat" tore after the Briton, pushed him back against the ropes by his superior strength and finally sent him to the mat unconscious. The fight was over and another "white hope" disposed of.

Just previous to the fight Smith made the following statement:

"I accepted this match with Bombardier Wells for two good reasons. I can use the money, and after I've knocked the Britisher out I'll force Luther McCarty to mox me, either in this city or on the coast."

AMERICAN OLYMPIC NEXT.

Chicago Events May Rival Games at Stockholm.

CHICAGO.—An American Olympic, guaranteed by its promoters to rival the Olympic games at Stockholm, will be staged in Grant park, scene of the big aviation meet, June 29 to July 6, according to announcement made.

Harold F. McCormick, president of the American Olympic Association, who promoted the big Chicago aviation meet, heads the committee on the Chicago Ilympic. Foreign stars will be invited.

NOTES OF JACKSON, TENN.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Melvina Webb has returned from a trip to St. Louis....Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Twigg have returned from Fulton, where they attended the funeral of Mr. Twigg's sister....Miss Minelle Newbern has been visiting the past week in the city....Mr. Ed Williams of East St. Louis has sent his little son Alfred to make his home with his grandmother, Mrs. Edna Williams, on Poplar street....Mr. T. Walker of Sycamore street is still confined to his bed, where he will be pleased to have all his friends call.... Mrs. Sarah Pope has purchased the house where Mr. Buck Thomas and family now reside on Madison street and will have it remodeled and move into it soon....The Revival at Berian has just closed, seventeen being added to the church last Sunday night.. ..The Misses Johsson of Totten street are cosstant readers of the Freemas....Mr. Cecil Owess of Mound, Ill., is in the city....Mrs. Sidney Parkman and Miss Jennie Womack have returned from a short stay in Trenton....The Y. M. C. A. invites all of the young men of the city to meet with them Sunday afternoon. James Brown is president, and George Hathaway secretary....Mr. Ernest Knox of Chicago spent Monday night in the city....Mr. J. Lancaster of Lancaster House has been ill with a coll. ....Miss Eliza B. Freeling of South Liberty street has had a violent cold the past week....Mrs. Mary Reid is visiting her mother, Mrs. Harriet McBride, in the city....The stork continues to visit us. He visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Day, on Totten street, Thurslay night, March 20, and left with them a winsome baby girl.. ..Free man for sale each week by Charlie Bell Jr. or at Al Ellison's barber shop.

BASEBALL IN TEXAS.

DALLAS, Tex.—Organized baseball will have a strong league in Texas, Dallas, Ft. Worth, Waco, Sherman and Mineral Wells being included, so the magnates say. The fans seem much elated since the meeting last week. We can boast of having some of the best players to be found anywhere in the country. The season will open in April and all Dallas fans will have the opportunity to see our team in action when "play ball" will be called out.

DR. LEWIS B. MOORE IN TALLAHASSEE FLA.

Special to The Freeman.

Dr. Lewis B. Moore dean of the teachers' college of Howard University, Washington, D. C., has accepted the invitation to deliver the commencement address of the agricultural and mechanical college at Tallahassee, Fla., May 29, of which Dr. N. B. Young is president.

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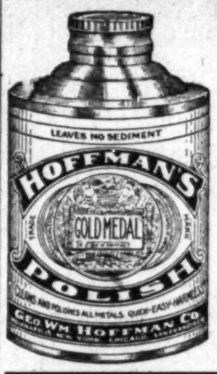

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CITY AND VICINITY.

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Mrs. Georgia Blackburn died at her home in this city last Sunday.

Rev. G. H. Brown, D. D., presiding elder of the Louisville District of the C. M. E. Church, was visiting in the city this week.

Rev. H. A. Foreman, pastor of Simpson Chapel, has returned from the M. E. Annual Conference, held at Louisville, Ky., last week.

Mrs. Henry S. Smith, of Chicago, is in the city this week on business and visiting her daughter, Miss Mabelle Smith, and other relatives.

Rev. A. W. Byrd, of Greenfield, Ind., and the Rev. Dupee attended service at Simpson Chapel last Sunday. Rev. Heston occupied the pulpit Sunday morning.

The funeral of William Rollins took place at Simpson Chapel last Thursday afternoon, under the auspices of Montgomery Lodge, K. of P., Rev. H. A. Foreman officiating.

Miss Edna A. Scott entertained at 6 o'clock dinner, Saturday evening, at her home, 1124 North Senate avenue, in honor of Mr. Henry O. Tanner, the artist, of Paris, France.

Rev. E. W. Gilliam, D. D., of Columbus, O., and party of ministers passed through Indianapolis last week, on their way to the M. E. Annual Conference, which was held in Louisville, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Floyd (the former better known in public life as Jack Hannibal, the champion middleweight of the State) are the proud and happy parents of a baby boy, born March 28, 1913. Mrs. Floyd was formerly Miss Hazel Crutcher, of this city.

Owing to the flood, the Lexington Conference, which was held in Louisville, Ky., last week, was poorly attended. Only a few ministers were present. The bishop was unable to put in his appearance. Ministers were not assigned new work. The matter of appointments will be taken up at the cabinet meeting, which takes place in this city next week.

Mrs. Theodore Crawford, well known in this city, died last Saturday morning at Terre Haute, Ind. Her funeral services were held here at the St. Phillip Episcopal Church, last Wednesday afternoon. Owing to Mrs. Crawford's charming disposition she made many warm friedns, most of whom attended her funeral. She was the wife of Theodore Crawford, who is also well known in this city.

WOMAN'S CIVIC CLUB NOTES.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois will lecture at Bethel A. M. E. church Thursday evening, April 24.

Miss Harriett Noble will address the branch on April 18, on "SSuffrage."

At the annual meeting of the association Dr. Rammond, a white Southerner and the president of a colored college in Augusta, Ga., speaking of education, said: "Sometimes people ask us: 'Why don't you make us better cooks and better field hands?' We say to them we are not concerned in what our graduates shall become. eW are trying to make better men and women of them. We want them to be all that God intended them to be when He put personality into them."

We are over a hundred. We can influence five or six hundred voters, and we intend to do so. Select men who will uphold the civil rights law when we bring a case before them.

The association holds its national conference in Philadelphia April 23, 24, 25.

DEATH OF HENRY A. ROGAN.

Prominent Mason—Well Known in Lodge and Church Circles.

Henry A. Rogan, well known in this community, passed away on last Sunday morning at his home on Twelfth street. When in good health, Mr. Rogan was known for his activity in lodge circles. As a Mason he stood with the foremost in the country. He loved its works; he mastered them, becoming in every sense a master Mason. He left no heights unexplored.

Mr. Rogan was also a Knight of Pythias, where he was also interested in developing that order. He was seventy-three years old.

His funeral services were held at the Bethel A. M. E. church last Tuesday at 2 o'clock p. m. The Masons, Knight Templars, Knights of Pythias and Eastern Stars were in attendance. A widow survives the deceased. Many friends mourn his passing.

A. M. E. ZION.

March 30 and 31 were profitably and pleasantly spent at the Tabernacle, corner of North and Blackford streets, it having been the occasion of the annual visit of Bishop G. L. Blackwell, of Philadelphia, Pa. The bishop was late in arriving, as a result of the flooded districts, and notwithstanding a great amount of worry and loss of rest, he preached three very powerful and instructive sermons; and the members and friends reciprocated by collecting from all sources approximately $150. On Monday evening the banquet tendered the bishop in the lecture room by the Merry Widow Club of the church was the best and most perfectly arranged and properly extended ever given him since he has been presiding over the diocese. For this we are truly thankful to all concerned.

Now that Easter and thee bishop's visit are past and have become history, we turn our attention to what may prove to be the last quarterly conference and meeting this conference yeah. But because of the two preceding Sundays and their great demands, it is imperative that we make an earnest appeal to our members and friends to come to our rescue in every way possible consistent for them. We need your presence and we believe you will give us the financial aid we so much need.

Rev. O. H. Banks, P. E. of the district, will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m., and Rev. H. A. Foreman, of Simpson's chapel, will preach at 3 p. m. Both of these gentlemen will entertain you should you make it convenient to hear them, which we sincerely hope you will. The services will begin on time if possible.

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RICHARD O. TANNER'S PICTURES ON EXHIBIT.

At the Herron Art Institute, from the 21st to the 31st of March, there was on exhibition several of Mr. Richard O. Tanner's best pictures. In the group were several landscapes and also his most famous religious subjects.

Sunday afternoon the Institute was well filled with negro patrons who were anxious to see the pictures of the world's greatest artist. Mr. Tanner was present and took great delight in answering all inquiries and explaining his subjects. The Shortridge High School orchestra, under the direction of Mr. H. Birge, rendered music from 4 to 6 in the afternoon.

While in the city Mr. Tanner stopped at the Washington Hotel. He leaves for New York, where he will meet his wife. His son is in a private school for boys in England. Mr. Tanner was entertained highly while in the city by his many friends.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The greatest series of monster meetings ever conducted by the Colored Men's Branch Y. M. C. A. of Indianapolis came to a close last Sunday afternoon at the Crown Garden Theater. Mr. A. H. Godard, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. work o fthe city, was the speaker, and his masterful address was a fitting climax to these most interesting meetings. That Mr. Godard did what was expected of him goes without saying. His theme, "Man's Relation to Man," will ever be held dear to those who listened. Logic and pathos were handled in the most skilled manner and ranks as one of the few great religious addresses of the entire series. The special numbers on the program were excellent. Three selections by the white Y. M. C. A. quartet elicited tremendous applause and revealed four well trained voices. The solo of Mr. Noble E. Sissle further convinced his hearers that he possesses a voice of an unusual ability. The ease with which he sings and his style of coloring, his power of interpretation enables the hearer to feel every impulse of the rendition. The Colored Y. M. C. A. band, under the splendid leadership of Mr. Fred Clay, lived up to their reputation of being the best Negro band in the state of Indiana. A certain official high in the Association world, claims it to be one of the best Association bands in the country, regardless of color. Every man in the band is an Association member. The large audience to a man stood when the vote was put as to whether the meetings should be held next year or not. It is needless to say that the vote was in favor of its being held. The attendance for the twenty-two meetings were 3,035, or an average of 138 per Sunday. The total amount raised for expenses in running the meetings was $409.86, or $18.63 per Sunday ,or an average of 13 cents per man.

Th tathese meetings have been a benefit to many may be expressed by the large number of those who have confessed Christ through its medium. Thus did Southern oratory in the person of Sutton E. Griggs first touch the hearts of men last November, and Northern logic, in the person of Secretary A. H. Godard, spoke farewell in March.

The Y. M. C. A. building, corner West North and California streets, will be open each Sunday afternoon from 2 until 6 o'clock. Come and spend a social period and meet your friends.

HARRY W. BROMWELL PASSES AWAY.

After a long illness Harry W. Bromwell passed away Wednesday morning at 6:15 o'clock, at his home, 1036 North Senate avenue. He was born in Champaign, Ill., May 15, 1875. He came to Indianapolis about eight years ago. He leaves to mourn his loss a devoted wife, Annie J. Bromwell; one brother, Louis Bromwell, and three sisters, Mrs. Lila Johnson and Mrs. Henrietta Alexander of Champaign, Ill., and Mrs. Rose Morgan of Evanston, Ill. The funeral will be held at the home Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, Rev. Wagner officiating.

HIGH-CLASS WAITERS AT THE CLAYPOOL.

The Claypool Hotel is making special effort to secure high-class colored waiters for its European service, and making commendable headway. A fine set of fellows is to be found there, which is greatly to their credit, since the Claypool is one of the best hotels in the country.

The head waiter, H. G. Maxwell, speaks for encouragingly of his men. He wishes it understood that he prefers to be surrounded by a group of polite, attentive waiters, as a matter of interest to the service. He feels assured that if he and his crew can maintain their high efficiency the management of the house will also find it to its interest to keep them.

A CARD OF THANKS.

By Annie J. Bromwell and Family.

We desire to thank the friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted during the illness and death of our beloved husband and brother, Harry W. Bromwell, also for the beautiful boral offerings.

ANNIE J. BROMWELL AND FAMILY.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bromwell, Mrs. Luster Johnson and Mrs. Henrietta Alexander will depart for their home in Champaign, Ill., Saturday. Mr. Lafayette Doss of Champaign, Ill., will return also.

The funeral of Mr. Harry Bromwell was held at his home, 1036 North Senate avenue, Rev. Herod officiating, at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

The Champion Model Base Ball Team Reorganizes—News in General. (By Z. L. Breedlove.)

Telephone Bell 1659.

The Champaign baseball team held a meeting at the home of Mr. Charles Taylor, 1309 West Hill street, Urbana, March 16, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Thomas Jackson, captain; Charles Taylor, manager; Harold Gray, assistant captain; Edward Johnson, secretary, and L. R. Breedlove, treasurer. ....Kappa Alpha Nu Fraternity held an informal meeting at their chapter house, 602 East White street, March 19. A number of non-fraternity members were present of the university of Illinois. Mr. Charles Cooper was announced as a pledgee. After the speaking a buffet luncheon was served. Every one enjoyed a splendid time....Mrs. Luster Johnson was suddenly called to Indianapolis, Ind., March 19 on account of the death of her brother, Mr. Harry W. Bromwell, who died of tuberculosis. The deceased was born May 15, 1775. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Emma Bromwell; three sisters and one brother, Mrs. Luster Johnson of Champaign, Mr. Lewis Bromwell of Champaign and Mrs. A. Morgan of Chicago....Word that his parents were killed in the cyclone which swept over Terre Haute on Monday, killing eighteen and wiping out large sections of the city, was received Monday morning, March 24, by Amos Bell, who left immediately for the scene. This afternoon he telephoned his wife, saying that he had found his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bell, in a hospital, both frightfully injured, completely paralized and unable to speak. Small hope is entertained for their recovery. The home of the Bells was completely destroyed, the son stating that scarcely a stone of the foundation of the house remained. Peices of the house containing furniture were found several blocks away....Mrs. John C. Howard, a hairdresser of Chicago, was in the city last week visiting her mother, Mrs. Frank Watson....Miss Nellie McNeal, the daughter of Mrs. Cogy McNeal, is ill with measles....The Johnson Orchestra of eight pieces left Tuesday, March 25, for Bloomington to play for the Chauffeurs' dance....Mrs. Will Hunt is in Altamont, Ill., visiting her parents....Mrs. Infiece Thomson returned from a very pleasant trip to Chicago Monday, March 25.... Mr. Henry Jones, an employe of the Beardsley Hotel, left last week for Detroit, Mich., to take a position as chauffeur....Mr. C. E. Phillips of Monticello, Ill., deputy grand organizer of the Pilgrim Knights of the World, is in Indianapolis, Ind., being sent there by the Supreme Master, Frederick O. Evans, of Lafayette, Ind., to attend some business concerning the lodge....The Freeman is on sale at 32 North Hickory street. Your patronage is solicited....Mr. Edward Lee, who has served the office of constable for four years and has proved himself a very good officer and who has captured some of the worst criminals in Champaign, was unanimously nominated again at the Republican caucus, which was held at the city building this month. Election will be held April 7....Mr. Jerrie Wells has been nominated on the Democratic ticket and Mr. Lewis Kemp on the Progressive ticket for constable....Commandery De Lion No. 15, Knight Templars, held their regular Easter services at Bethel A. M. E. Church Sunday afternoon about 3 o'clock....Couer de Lion Commandery No. 15, Knight Templars, held their annual Easter services of the order at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church at 3:15 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Rev. J. M. Owens of Salem Baptist Church delivered the address, the subject of which was "The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man." Members of Deborah Chapter, Order of Eastern Star of Champaign, attended.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE IN SESSION.

(By Franklin F. Johnson.)

BALTIMORE, April 2.—Ministers and laymen from all parts of Virginia and West Virginia, the District of Columbia, the western shore of Maryland and the western part of Pennsylvania are in the city attending the annual session of the Washington Conference of the M. E. Church, which began this (Wednesday) morning at Sharp Street Memorial M. E. Church. In connection with the conference its fiftieth anniversary will also be observed Thursday night at two city churches.

At the opening session Mayor Preston, the Rev. Dr. M. J. Naylor, Mrs. Florena Kerr Owens, the Rev. Dr. W. A. C. Hughes, superintendent of the Baltimore district, and the Rev. Dr. M. F. Sydes, who represented local A. M. E. churches, delivered address of welcome.

Dr. Hughes, in his address, said:

"We welcome you to this church, for herein are the clustered memories of our people's life, struggles and ambitions which stretch far back to the days of Asbury and Freeborn Garrettson, when the Sharp street of old crowded the gallery of the old Lovely Lane chapel and composed one-third of our Methodist membership in and around Baltimore. Here a slave people attuned their souls to the music of the gospel before Washington marshaled the Continental troops or Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown. Here the songs of our people were changed fro mthe weird chants of Africa's idol worship to deep minors which swelled from anxious souls. This church, which welcomes you today, began its life as a distinct congregation in 1802 on old Sharp street, just outside the then city limits, and she has known no closed doors since. Thirteen of her members in quest of liberty formed the pioneer settlers of the Republic of Liberia. Seventy-two of her members fled from a cruel serfdom to Canada between 1820 and 1835, and the records show that fifty-one members were sold out of the state into Georgia, Virginia, Alabama and Mississippi. In spite of this oppression, white ministers of the Baltimore Conference inspired our people with faith and they pressed forward until James Harper and John Bowtie, Sr., interested Bishop Matthew Simpson, with the result that permission was granted to organize the Washington Conference.

Bishop Earl Cranston, who is presiding, and the Rev. D. W. Hays, of Washington, delivered responses.

At the fiftieth anniversary services this Thursday night the Rev. W. M. Carroll, one of the two surviving founders of the conference, and the Rev. Dr. J. W. E. Bowen of Atlanta will be among the speakers. At the celebration at Centennial M. E. Church the same night the Rev. Drs. Ernest Lyon and M. W. Clair will be the principal speakers. The Rev. Dr. D. W. Shaw will read an original poem. The latter church was founded 139 years ago, and is probably the oldest colored eMthodist church in the country. The conference will end with the reading of the assignments for the ensuing year next Monday.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. John Turner and wife of Caryile, Ill., were guests at the home of Mrs. Grigsby last week....Mr. and Mrs. E. Taylor are the proud parents of a seven and three-quarter-pound girl, who arrived last week on Friday, March 21....J. Valson and D. Brock, grocery store men, have dissolved partnership. Mr. Brock left the business in the hands of Mr. Valson, who is doing a good business. Mr. Brock, for some reason unknown, has secretly left this part of the country. He was last heard of in Cincinnati, O.... It is deplorable, but let us tell the truth. Two young colored boys, who came from Memphis, Tenn., two or three weeks ago, were caught breaking into several stores and saloons and got considerable valuables and money. It is said that the boys are under age and if so they will be sent to the reform school. They are now in the county jail....Mr. L. Hinds, Sr., is very ill....Mr. T. W. Hinds is on the sick list....Mr. Carl Logan and James Wiseman, two young men of Urian, Ill., electricians, stopped here a few days last week on their way West looking for a location to start in their line of business. ....The children's exercises which were to have been held on Easter Sunday in several of the churches were postponed until the second Sunday after Easter on account of inclement weather. It has been raining here for the last four or five days and a part of the streets of Centralia are flooded with about a foot of water. ....A ten-pound girl arrived last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Leak.... Mrs. Delashman and Mrs. S. Gloner of Walnut Hill were in Centralia last week shopping....In the colored ward of Centralia the streets are flooded with water on account of the city officials not looking after that part of the city....Mr. Ed Simpson, Mr. G. Claybrook and Miss Annie Killian spent Easter Sunday at Elkville, Ill., and report a good time.

AT KENTUCKY'S CAPITAL.

The Flood Made Three Hundred Persons Homeless—Old State House Serves as Shelter for Hundreds—City Able to Take Care of Its Own—Mrs. Bunyan, a Hair Dresser—The Mosaic Templars of America Give a Swell Banquet—Kentucky Masons Incorporated With State—Dr. Underwood Delivers Able Address at Shelbyville.

(Hardin Tolbert at Peoples Pharmacy. Both Phones 666. Box 233.)

FRANKFORT, Ky. (SSpecial)—Without doubt the greatest flood seen in this city in thirty-four years was witnessed here last Thursday morning, when the Kentucky river reached the thirty-seven-foot mark. The river was barely out of its banks on Wednesday morning, but lock No. 8 broke early Thursday morning and the water rushed in at a teriffic rate. Alarm was given early in the morning, but the crest of water was upon the people before any action could be taken in the way of saving household effects. The water covered an area of almost one and one-half miles. It reached the Reformatory. For a while fears were entertained that the reservoir at Frankfort Hill would break and flood that section of the city. The good-hearted citizens who were fortunate enough to escape the seething mass of water, came to the rescue of their less fortunate brothers and sisters and rendered much valuable assistance. Hundreds of our citizens took refuge in the old State House. Many persons moved to the second stories of their homes in an attempt to escape the flood, and were at last rescued by boats. Mr. P. Johnson rendered valuable assistance to those in distress. The undertaking establishment of Mr. T. K. Tobbs was somewhat of a headquarters for information concerning the situation, and numerous phone calls were received here. Men and women were on the alert all night, and frequent cries of mercy from the Lord were heard by the people. The home of Mrs. Eugene Stone, 513 Washington street, where the writer has a room, was completely destroyed, including everything in the house, as the volume of water came so quickly that no one had time to save any of their belongings. Traffic was soon brought to a halt, and boats took the place of street cars, carriages and automobiles. The writer with Mr. James Callahan took refuge at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nute Jessie on Third street, where we received our first charitable meal, and also the kindness of Capt. D. O. Robinson, of the Pride of Frankfort Lodge, No. 12, K. of P. I obtained stationery and wrote my correspondence for the papers this week at the room of Messrs. J. R. and J. F. Buckner on Second street. Many of the writer's periodicals were in charge of Mr. Steve Conda. I express my heartfelt thanks to the kind friends who so benevolently assisted me. Many of our best citizens extended valuable service to the people in distress. A number of the people remained in the second stories of their own homes.

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Mrs. Fannie Bunyan, 624 St. Clair street, ranks foremost among the hair dressers of the country, as she has had a great deal of experience in this line of work, and her services are of great value to the people. Mrs. Bunyan advocates cleanliness the the scalp as the only true remedy to correct troubles of the same. Many who have taken treatment of her are loud in their praise of her excellent work. We are glad to see our people go into business for themselves, and Mrs. Bunyan is a good example of what thrift and intelligence can do in this present day and age.

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Mrs. Tobitha Anderson, state organizer of the Women's Federated Clubs and the president of the city federation, has presented to the clubs two fine propositions. Mrs. Anderson belongs to the class of doers—not dreamers. Read the Frankfort column if you want to find out what these propositions are.

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Miss Maggie Marshall, of Louisville, who has been the guest of Mrs. Mary L. Webster, was caught in the high waters. She can truthfully say that for once she has taken a boat ride in the principal colored section of Frankfort, but it was far from a pleasure trip.

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The Kentucky Masonic Order was incorporated with the state through the business sagacity of Prof. William H. Mayo, editor of the Masonic Herald and principal of the Clinton Street high school, and grand secretary of the Masons. For years the Masons of Kentucky have hoped for this step, and have looked to their valuable secretary for the fulfillment of their wishes. It was a great surprise to Grand Master Rev. J. M. Mundy that this step had not been taken long ago, as the order should have been incorporated all this time, thus making it a legal institution according to the law of the state. The fault was with some one in neglecting to perform their duty in the matter. But now the body is legally incorporated as the Kentucky Masonic Lodge.

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Mr. J. McAubiffe, of Cincinnati, is in the city, the guest of relatives and friends.

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Mrs. Laura Mays spent a day last week in Louisville, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Ethel Johnson.

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Rev. F. L. Scott left for Shelbyville to work in the interest of the Mosaic Templars of America.

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The city schools have been temporarily closed on account of the high waters.

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The Misses Silvey will entertain Prof. Burt Lark and the writer.

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Messrs. William Wheeler and John M. Glass have gone to French Lick, Ind., to accept positions as waiters during the busy season.

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Dr. E. E. Underwood, one of the city's most prominent physicians and surgeons, delivered the second annual address before the Knights of Pythias on March 30 at Shelbyville. A large and enthusiastic audience greeted this eloquent speaker, and he left a good impression upon his hearers, and many were thoroughly convinced that they should become members of this great order. Dr. Underwood told of the great advancement the order had made in past years and told of the great benefits that come from belonging to it. He told of the strong financial standing of the order in this state. He encouraged the colored people to stand by each other and launch into business enterprises of their own. He said many good things in behalf of the Negro press, Negro literature and urged that the people become acquainted with the writers of the race. Dr. Underwood was roundly applauded throughout his address.

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Mr. Harvey C. Fields has been appointed to organize the United Loyal Neighbors lodge in this city. He is a hustling young man and takes great interest in the order. He will undoubtedly make a success of the venture.

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The Mosaic Templars of America gave a banquet at the Odd Fellows' hall in honor of W. M. Alexander, N. G. M., and Prof. J. O. McConio, of Little Rock, Ark. The hall was beautifully decorated. Mrs. T. L. Brooks was toastmistress. Lawyer L. R. Diggs spoke on "What We Are Doing." Dr. E. E. Underwood spoke on "A True Mosaic." Mrs. Mary E. Boyd spoke on "What We Exiect to Do." Miss Julia Young spoke on "Why I Am a Mosaic." W. H. Harrison, N. D. G. M., made some fitting remarks, as did also Mrs. Simth, Mr. W. H. Alexander and Prof. J. O. McConico. The menu consisted of beaten biscuits, crouets, potato salad, minto sandwiches, ice cream and coffee. The reception committee, Annie Alexander, chairman; Florence Johnson, Luvena Rhyner, Laura Meys, Lizzie Robinson, Delma Miller and Lizzie Allen, received compliments on the manner in which the affair was conducted.

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The first issue of the Louisville News, of which Lee L. Brown is editor, will appear on April 13. We wish the new paper all success.

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The commencement exercises of the high school at Shelbyville will be hold April 9 to 11. The public is invited to attend the exercises, which will be held at the Crescent theater.

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Mrs. Bettie Philton desires to express her sincere thanks to her white and colored friends who so kindly assisted her during the illness and death of her daughter, Henrietta Smith.

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Miss Rebecca Gaines, of Georgetown, spent a few days in the city this week.

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Professor Wm. Bennett and mother, of Versailles, were in the city this week.

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Mr. David Brown, of Louisville, was in the city the guest of his mother, Mrs. O. Harris.

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Some young men have some very bad reports on some young ladies of the city, and as soon as they furnish affidavits to substantiate these reports, they will be published. However, if they can't make the desired proofs of their statements, an action will be taken to put a stop to the talk they are circulating concerning the young ladies. Now, what are you going to do? These columns are open to you, and you must prove what you say or else keep still.

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Mrs. Charles Marshall is able to be up again after a few weeks' illness.

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Miss Annie Martin, a former Frankfort girl, died in Indianapolis, Ind., and was brought here for burial. The funeral services were conducted at the First Baptist church.

DEATH OF BISHOP SALTER.

Special to THE FREEMAN

Bishop Moses B. Salter, twenty-first bishop of the A. M. E. church, died Tuesday, March 25th at Charleston, S. C. Bishop Salter was born February 13, 1841; converted in 1856; licensed to preach in 1865; ordained in 1866; elected Bishop 1892; retired at the last General Conference, 1912. Had been paralyzed for more than a year. Funeral March 28, Bishop L. J. Coppin presiding. Bishops and general officers and prominent ministers from all over the county attended.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned has duly qualified as administratrix of estate of Daniel Hayden, late of Marion county, Indiana, deceased. Said estate is supposed to be solvent.

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